

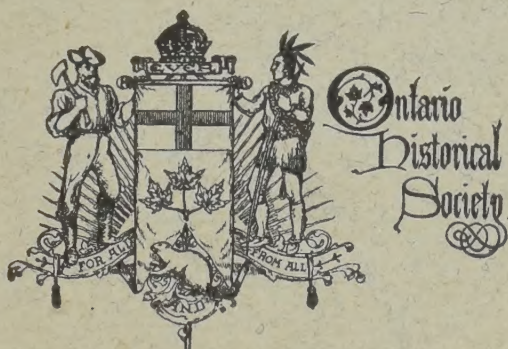




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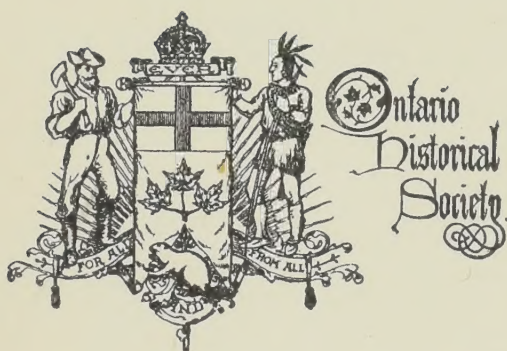
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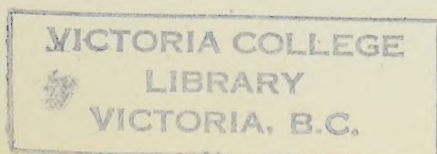
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ANNUAL MEETING, 1921

The Annual Meeting of the Ontario Historical Society for 1921 opened at 10.30 a.m., Wednesday, June 8th, at Niagara, in the Town Hall. The following members, delegates and their friends were in attendance at this session (which was devoted to the business affairs of the Society), or at the subsequent sessions during the meeting:

BOWMANVILLE.—Mrs. Elizabeth J. Thompson.

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WINDSOR.—Andrew Braid, Mr. & Mrs. George F. Macdonald.

YORK MILLS.—Charles W. Jefferys.

The President, Brig.-Gen. E. A. Cruikshank, opened the meeting, and on motion by Dr. Orr, seconded by Capt. Carstairs, it was resolved the minutes of the last annual meeting, having been printed, be taken as read and confirmed.

The president then read his annual report, (See Appendix I), the Vice-president, Dr. Rowland B. Orr, taking the chair. The president withdrew, all present expressing their sympathy by standing, and on motion by Dr. Coyne, seconded by Miss Carnochan, it was resolved that the Society tender its deepest sympathy with Gen. Cruikshank on the great loss he has sustained in the sudden death of Mrs. Cruikshank, and that a special committee be appointed, consisting of Miss Sarah Mickle, Very Rev. Dean Starr and the mover, as convener, to prepare a suitable resolution to be placed on the minutes of the Society.

This committee subsequently reported the following resolution:—

Resolved, that we desire to tender to our honoured President, Brigadier-General Cruikshank, F.R.S.C., our profound sympathy in the overwhelming loss he has sustained in the sudden death of Mrs. Cruikshank.

Coming to Niagara from her Ottawa home to attend this annual meeting of the Society, the President's wife had looked forward with eagerness to the renewal of old friendships and the enjoyment of old associations. And so it was near the banks of the noble river she loved, familiar to her from earlier years, and while enjoying the beauty of the tranquil close of a day in June, that she heard the summons that comes to all, and, without warning, and without pain, she passed away.

Recalling her womanly worth, her qualities of heart and mind, her love of literature and history, her active interest in movements for the betterment of humanity, we desire to record our sense of sorrow in the loss of one so highly esteemed, and so closely associated with our President and with this Society, of which she was an esteemed and valued member.

Miss Carnochan, in seconding the resolution to appoint the committee, expressed her personal sympathy, referring to the genuine qualities of Mrs. Cruikshank; and the chairman, Dr. Orr, also added his expressions of sympathy.

On motion by Miss Carnochan, seconded by Mrs. Gullock, it was resolved that a deputation consisting of Dr. Coyne, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Mitchell and Mrs. Thompson, attend the funeral of Mrs. Cruikshank to represent the Society.

The Secretary then read his annual report of the work of the Society. (See Appendix I.).

On motion by Capt. Carstairs, seconded by Mr. H. F. Gardiner, it was resolved that a committee consisting of A. F. Hunter, H. F. Gardiner, the mover and Mrs. Thompson, be appointed to draft a suitable resolution on the death of Mr. E. B. Biggar, referred to in the Secretary's report.

Mr. Gardiner, in seconding the resolution, referred to the valuable historical work performed by Mr. Biggar, and described "The Battle of Stony Creek" as the first historical work he had produced. Mr. Gardiner also added a few appreciative remarks on Judge H. S. McDonald, (whose death had been referred to in the Secretary's report), whom he remembered when he was a young barrister newly entered upon the practice of law.

The committee hereupon appointed subsequently reported the following resolution:—

Resolved—that the members of the Ontario Historical Society, express their sincere sorrow at the death of Emerson Bristol Biggar, an esteemed member of the Society, whose work as a contributor of valuable papers on historical subjects is highly appreciated. To Mr. Biggar's years of patient labor as Chairman of the Ontario Historical Society's Committee on the preservation of the Old Fort at Toronto, involving many reports to, and interviews with, the Government and the City Council, is due the fact that we have the Old Fort preserved almost intact—a matter of great importance to all who are interested in the history of our province. The Society directs its Secretary to transmit a copy of this resolution to Mrs. Biggar, and to assure her of their sympathy in her bereavement.

The Treasurer's annual statement was then read. (See Appendix I.).

On motion by Dr. Coyne, seconded by Mr. Gardiner, it was resolved that the reports of the President, the Secretary, and the Treasurer, be adopted and printed.

On motion by Mrs. Shaw, seconded by Dean Starr, it was resolved that the meeting select Mr. Nash, Mr. Carstairs, Mrs. Thompson and Dr. Coyne as members of the nominating committee.

The chairman, Dr. Orr, appointed the following as members of the nominating committee:—Mr. Gardiner, Mr. Mitchell, Miss Marsh and Mrs. McLean.

On motion by Mr. C. W. Nash, seconded by Mrs. Shaw, it was resolved that a committee on resolutions be appointed, consisting of Dr. Coyne, Mr. Hunter and Mr. Carstairs.

Amendments to the Constitution were next considered, and on motion by Mr. Carstairs, seconded by Dr. Coyne, it was resolved that a Committee on amendments to the constitution be appointed, consisting of Mr. Nash, Dr. Coyne, Major Percy Beatty, with the President, the Secretary and the mover.

After announcements by the Secretary regarding excursions, the meeting was adjourned.

The afternoon session, beginning at 2 o'clock, was devoted to the reading of reports on the work of the affiliated societies, the Vice-President, Dr. Rowland B. Orr, presiding, with Mr. J. S. Carstairs acting as Secretary in the absence of the Secretary, who was attending the funeral of Mrs. Cruikshank, wife of the President. Delegates and others reported upon the work of local societies as follows:—

Mrs. Gullock—Women's Canadian Historical Society of Ottawa.

Miss J. Carnochan—Niagara Historical Society.

Mrs. Lynch-Staunton—Women's Wentworth Historical Society.

Miss Gilkison—Brant Historical Society.

Mr. Andrew Braid—Essex Historical Society.

Mr. H. F. Gardiner—Wentworth Historical Society.

Very Rev. Dean Starr—Kingston and Frontenac Historical Society.

Miss Frances A. Redmond—Huron Institute, Collingwood.

Mrs. Seymour Corley—Women's Canadian Historical Society of Toronto.

In the absence of Dr. Jas. H. Coyne at the funeral, the report of the Elgin Institute, St. Thomas, was taken as read.

When presenting a report from the Norfolk Historical Society, Hon. Senator Alex. McCall gave an account of the efforts of the Society to secure the title to the land on which Galinee and Dollier de Casson wintered in 1669 near Long Point. At an early date it is expected to commemorate their memory by a cross to be erected by the Canadian Historic Sites Commission. He reported that it is the intention to publish the Galinee narrative in an abridged form for use in the public schools of the county.

After the adjournment of this session, the members and their friends present were conveyed in motor cars to see points of historic interest in the town and its vicinity.

At the evening session, beginning at 8 p.m., the Secretary on behalf of the Society read and presented an address to Miss Carnochan, as follows:—

TO

MISS JANET CARNOCHAN,
PRESIDENT OF THE NIAGARA HISTORICAL
SOCIETY, NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE, ONTARIO.

ARMS OF ONTARIO.

DEAR MADAM: THE OFFICERS and MEMBERS of the ONTARIO HISTORICAL SOCIETY, desire to take advantage of their present meeting at NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE, to convey this memorial of their sincere appreciation and recognition of the very valuable services you have rendered to the cause of HISTORICAL RESEARCH in this PROVINCE and particularly to the ANNALS of this historic region.

They desire to refer more especially to your HISTORY OF NIAGARA, as a work of rare merit; to your efforts in the organization of the NIAGARA HISTORICAL SOCIETY and in presiding over and promoting its activity for more than a quarter of a century; to your many important contributions to its publications and to those of this SOCIETY; and to your success in founding and enriching this HISTORICAL MUSEUM, which is, in itself, a permanent MONUMENT to your untiring labour, unswerving patriotism, and historical zeal.

The SOCIETY further wishes to acknowledge the able and conscientious support you have constantly given its aims and objects since its formation and has accordingly inscribed

this special tribute of acknowledgment and gratitude on its records.

NIAGARA,
JUNE 8th,
1921.

Signed on behalf of the SOCIETY,

A. F. HUNTER,
Secretary.

E. A. CRUIKSHANK,
President.

Miss Carnochan expressed her best thanks for this address, and subsequently sent the following written expression of her gratitude:

To the officers and members of the Ontario Historical Society:

Gentlemen,—I desire to acknowledge the beautiful illuminated address presented to me at the meeting of the Ontario Historical Society in Niagara, 8th June, 1921, and to offer my hearty thanks.

Nothing could have been more unexpected than this honour you have conferred upon me, and words fail me to express my gratitude and appreciation of your kind words—words all too kind and altogether beyond my merits. I can only say in return that anything I have done to forward the aims of the Society and of the Niagara Historical Society has been done gladly and out of love for our country and with the hope of helping Canadians and especially the young to study the history of their country and emulate the spirit of the pioneers and take part in the future in making its history still more worthy of praise than in the past.

I wish for the Ontario Historical Society a successful future even greater than in the past in encouraging historical research, in gathering and giving to the public the history of Canada.

I remain, Gentlemen, yours faithfully,

JANET CARNOCHAN,

In an eloquent address, Mayor Mussen of Niagara welcomed the members and delegates to the town. He was pleased they had remembered that Niagara is a historic place, extremely rich in historic objects and associations. La Salle landed here on his westward journey, and the first capital of Upper Canada was here. Here was issued the first challenge to slavery in the world. The war of 1812-15 bore hard upon it—nowhere was the struggle greater than here, where it was kept up almost continuously for three years. Educational matters were not overlooked, for here was one of the first grammar schools in Upper Canada. It had the oldest Masonic lodge in Canada and the first agricultural exhibition. He extended to the Society the greeting of the citizens of Niagara.

Dr. Orr, chairman, replied to this address of welcome, and referring to the address presented by the Society to Miss Carnochan said it was nothing more than the Society's duty to recognize Miss Carnochan's valuable historical work in this tangible way. He also expressed his regret for the death of Mrs. Cruikshank.

Asa R. Hill, secretary of the Six Nations Council, then read a paper on the "Historical Position of the Six Nations." (This paper is published in full in Vol. 19 of the Society's "Papers and Records").

Dr. Jas. H. Coyne said the paper possessed historic value. Twenty-four years ago the last meeting of the Pioneer and Historical Association was held in this same hall in which the meeting takes place to-night. At that meeting every one of the Six Nations was represented, and their representatives held a council meeting at the time and decided to be affiliated with the Ontario Historical Society.

Miss Gilkison read the following decision of the Chiefs in Council regarding Mr. Hill's paper:

Ohsweken Council House, June 7th, 1921.

The Chiefs in Council having listened to and approved of the paper that Mr. Asa R. Hill proposes to read before the Ontario Historical Society at Niagara-on-the-Lake on the 8th inst., desire that should the Society also approve of same, that it be kind enough to endorse and place itself on record as in favour of recognizing the rights of the Six Nations and that such encroachments as are being made upon their conceded rights by the Canadian Government are unwarranted and unjust.

ANDREW STAATS, Speaker, Six Nations Council.

Mr. H. F. Gardiner recalled the circumstance that when the Six Nations received the grant of land on the Grand River, the line of demarcation was fixed from Burlington Northwestward to the Thames River, but such a line would not reach to the Thames at all, so Governor Haldimand had to quiet the title of the Missisagas to Flamboro. The negotiations with the Missisagas re these Indian lands are given in the Report on Canadian Archives, 1896.

Col. A. E. Belcher spoke of the working of the franchise when it had been given to the Chippewas at Saugeen.

On motion by Dr. Coyne the request of the Chiefs in Council was referred to the Council of the Society for consideration.

Capt. J. S. Carstairs read some extracts from the "Diary of Benjamin Lundy, Abolitionist, from Niagara to the Detroit River, 1832," with an introduction to the Diary by Fred Landon, M.A.

Mr. Jas. Mitchell read a paper on "Deep Waterways Movements; Origin and Progress of each Enlargement."

(These two papers are published in Vol. 19 of the Society's "Papers and Records.")

The meeting was then adjourned.

THURSDAY, JUNE 9th, 1921.

At the morning session, beginning at 9.30 a.m., Dr. Jas. H. Coyne recalled the circumstance that on June 14th, 1921, falls the 250th anniversary of the ceremony at Sault Ste Marie when St. Lussou, with Nicholas Perrot as interpreter, took possession of the land in the name of the King of France—an event of which Father Dablon in his "Relation" also gives a report.

Mr. H. F. Gardiner then presented the report of the Nominating Committee as follows:

The Nominating Committee beg to make the following recommendations for the officers to be elected for the year 1921-2:

HONORARY PRESIDENT.—Hon. R. H. Grant, Minister of Education.

PRESIDENT.—Brig.-Gen. E. A. Cruikshank, Ottawa.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT.—Dr. Rowland B. Orr.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT.—Mr. H. F. Gardiner.

TREASURER.—Lt.-Col. A. E. Belcher.

COUNCIL.—Madame Simeon Lelievre, Ottawa; Miss Edith L. Marsh, Thornbury; Mrs. Seymour Corley, Toronto; Andrew Braid, Windsor; Hon. Alex. McCall, Simcoe.

AUDITORS.—Messrs. Frank Yeigh and J. J. Murphy.

On motion by Mr. Gardiner, seconded by Mrs. Thompson, it was resolved that the report be adopted.

Mr. C. W. Nash said that at the meeting of this Society at Owen Sound last year he had called attention to the unpacked condition of many articles in the Provincial Museum at the Normal School, Toronto, and he pointed out that there are reasons now for making this unopened material available to the public, especially the historical objects there. He asked them to take some action.

On motion by Capt. Carstairs, seconded by Mrs. Thompson, it was resolved that a deputation be appointed to wait upon the Minister of Education in regard to this matter, viz., Very Rev. Dean Harris, Mrs. Seymour Corley, with the mover and the seconder.

On motion by Mrs. Thompson, seconded by Capt. Carstairs, the resolution in regard to the death of Mr. E. B. Biggar (as printed on a former page), was adopted.

In the discussion on this resolution, there were remarks by Mr. Gardiner, Mrs. Thompson and Capt. Carstairs, especially with regard to Mr. Biggar's work in connection with the preservation of the Old Fort at Toronto.

On motion by Col. Belcher, seconded by Mr. Gardiner, it was resolved that the hearty thanks of the Ontario Historical Society are hereby tendered to His Worship the Mayor and the Council of Niagara for their kindly welcome, the use of the Town Hall for the meetings of the Society, and the interesting motor drive to the many scenes of interest in the ancient and historic town and its vicinity.

On motion by Dr. Coyne, seconded by Capt. Carstairs, it was resolved that the thanks of the Society are hereby tendered to the Niagara Historical Society and its honoured president, Miss Janet Carnochan, and to the hospitable citizens of Niagara, for the excellent arrangements which have made the meeting of 1921 one of special interest and success.

On motion by Capt. Carstairs, seconded by Col. Belcher, it was resolved that the Ontario Historical Society acknowledges with gratitude the consideration

and assistance it has received during the past year from the Honourable Minister of Education, and from the Deputy Minister of Education, in extending the quarters of the Society, in improving the library facilities and in generously aiding to increase its resources.

The secretary then made announcements regarding the excursion to Niagara Falls in the afternoon.

Prof. A. H. Young read a paper on "The Rev. Robert Addison and St. Mark's church, Niagara."

The secretary read extracts on Richard Pierpoint and the Negro Corps at Niagara from a paper by the Hon. Justice W. R. Riddell, entitled "Some References to Negroes in Upper Canada."

(The two foregoing papers are printed in Vol. 19 of the Society's "Papers and Records.")

Mr. H. F. Gardiner addressed the meeting on the subject of geographic names, which he described as "the pegs of history." The Geographic Board for Canada decides what names are to be given to places, and their decisions are published in blue books which are not extensively read.

Capt. Carstairs spoke of the curriculum for the study of history in the schools, and added that names for places are not always given rightly, giving some examples of how names pass on to the map.

Miss Carnochan spoke of the educational work performed by the Ontario Historical Society and its meetings.

Dr. J. Davis Barnett referred to place names in Oxford, and to the fact that Ontario has a book on names only.

Mr. Braid cited the article by Mr. Macdonald in the Essex Society's report, on the subjects under discussion.

Mr. Mitchell suggested the publication of monthly bulletins which might include something about place names and their origin.

Dr. Hamilton spoke of the spelling of Indian names of places and speech notation.

Hon. Alex. McCall also referred to local names, especially pioneer sketches of the County of Norfolk. Two outstanding events result therefrom—promotion of the League of Nations and the Cause of Peace.

Mrs. Thompson suggested prizes in every school for local history and family history, with both of which the study of the history of the Province rightly begins.

Adjournment of this session then took place, after which the members and their friends repaired to St. Mark's Parish Hall, where they were tendered a reception and luncheon by the Niagara Historical Society. Afterward, they made an excursion at 4 p.m. by steamer and trolley to Niagara Falls, where the Lundy's Lane Historical Society entertained them at luncheon at the refectory in the Queen Victoria Park, with a motor 'bus trip along the Niagara River front to Chippawa, and to the Drummond Hill Presbyterian Church on the Battlefield of Lundy's Lane in time for the evening session in that edifice.

The closing session of this annual meeting—that of Thursday evening—was held on the historic Battlefield of Lundy's Lane, in the Drummond Hill Presbyterian Church, beginning at 8 o'clock. The Lundy's Lane Historical Society had prepared a suitable and instructive exhibit of relics of the Battlefield (military buttons, weapons of war, etc.,) in the church entrance, and this exhibit was a source of much interest to the visitors. The Rev. Dr. Wm. Wallis was chairman of the meeting, and he welcomed the visiting Society in a few well-chosen remarks to the city of Niagara Falls and to the Battlefield of Lundy's Lane.

Mayor H. P. Stephens also welcomed the Society to Niagara Falls and to Lundy's Lane. He spoke of the joint centenary celebration of the battle in 1914 when the two nations that fought against each other in 1814 took part in celebrating one hundred years of peace. Niagara Falls South, in which the battlefield is situated, is older than the north end of the city and is situated on the old Portage Road, with its abundance of historic associations.

The secretary thanked the chairman and the mayor for their greeting and gave a report of the late Rev. A. B. Sherk's "Manuscripts on the Niagara Peninsula," also reading some extracts from the manuscripts.

Mr. Robert W. Geary, president of the Lundy's Lane Historical Society, expressed his pleasure to have the Ontario Historical Society in the city on this occasion, and spoke with much propriety of the battle of Lundy's Lane as the "saving place of Canada."

The secretary proposed, and Prof. A. H. Young in appropriate words seconded, a vote of thanks on behalf of the visiting Society for the welcome and entertainment they had received at Niagara Falls from the Lundy's Lane Society, jointly with the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park Commission and the authorities of the Drummond Hill Presbyterian Church, and of the city, and the resolution was adopted unanimously.

John H. Jackson, C.E., responded to the resolution on behalf of the Lundy's Lane Society, remarking that the meetings of the Ontario Society which he had attended always bring back pleasant recollections. It is the intention, he said, of the Park Commission, ultimately to reconstruct Fort Erie ruins, bringing them as much as possible to what the structure was at the first.

Mr. Andrew Braid spoke of observing in the cemetery of the church, amongst the graves of brave soldiers who fell in the battle, the headstone of one who had belonged to the 26th infantry regiment, the distinguished Cameronian regiment named after the leader of the Scottish Covenanters and formed at the close of covenanting times. It was a Lowland regiment, largely from Ayrshire, and is not to be confused with the Highland regiments.

Mr. Jas. C. Morden, secretary of the Lundy's Lane Historical Society, exhibited an interesting series of lantern views relating to Niagara Falls and Lundy's Lane, describing each picture so as to give the visitors a good summary of the interesting features of the locality.

This concluded the annual meeting for 1921.

APPENDIX I.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

At this, the twentieth annual meeting of the Ontario Historical Society, held in the twenty-fourth year of its existence as a corporate body in the ancient capital of the province, it may not be out of place to attempt a brief review of its work in the past, and venture a forecast of what may be reasonably undertaken in the future.

It may, I think, be affirmed that it has performed good service in the promotion of intercourse among persons interested in historical studies and stimulated the formation of new societies. The number of affiliated societies has steadily increased, is still increasing, and it is to be hoped that the time is not far distant when every city and county in the province may have its local society.

The library of the society has grown to large proportions and become a notable collection of books and pamphlets, many of which are rare, and some of them unique. It is at length housed and arranged in such a manner as to be accessible to readers.

The number of members has also steadily increased, and although not nearly as great as it should be, is considerably larger than at any former period of its history. Of 306 persons whose names appear as annual members, in the report for 1920, only 99 were recorded as annual members in the report for 1912. Of the 160 persons or institutions listed as annual members in 1912, sixty-one have ceased to be members, most of them doubtless through death or removal from the province.

Eighteen volumes of the series entitled "Papers and Records," have been published. These vary greatly in size, ranging from 236 pages in Volumes V and VII to only forty-nine in Volume XV. It was, however, not surprising that during the troubled years of the Great War, the production of the Society should have declined. A revival of activity in this direction, it is hoped, may be confidently anticipated.

In addition to this series, separate annual reports have been printed, in one instance, at least, of more than one hundred pages, containing valuable data, not only as to the activity of this Society, but of many affiliated societies.

Of the "Papers and Records," three volumes were monographs of more than ordinary merit and importance. These were Mr. L. H. Tasker's "United Loyalist Settlement at Long Point," Dr. J. H. Coyne's "Exploration of the Great Lakes, 1669-70," and Mr. James White's "Place Names in Georgian Bay."

All readers of Dr. Coyne's scholarly work will unite with me in the hope that he may be able to find the leisure to continue his researches and favour this Society with the result.

The remaining volumes contain a great variety of contributions by more than one hundred authors, representing many different districts of the province, and throwing much fresh light on a diversity of subjects.

The publication of the early registers of baptisms, marriages, and burials, begun in the first volume and continued in others, deserves mention as possessing an interest and value that is, perhaps, not generally appreciated.

Among deceased members of the Society, who have made valuable contributions, Mr. Barlow Cumberland, Dr. C. C. James, Judge H. S. McDonald, and Mr. H. H. Robertson may be particularly mentioned.

Among the lady members, Miss Janet Carnochan easily holds the first place, followed by Mrs. Coutts, Miss Gilkison, Miss Kilroy, and Miss Machar.

Other notable contributors among living members, who should be named, are Mr. L. J. Burpee, Mr. Francis Cleary, Dr. Coyne, Judge Ermatinger, Mr. H. F. Gardiner, Mr. W. S. Herrington, Mr. A. F. Hunter, Rev. John Morrison, Mr. G. R. Pattullo, Justice W. R. Riddell, Dr Shortt and Dr. Sulte.

The late Mr. R. G. Thwaites, of Madison, Wisconsin, and Messrs. F. S. Severance and H. H. Noble, of Buffalo, have also favoured the Society with papers of much value.

It may be admitted that many of the papers already published have a distinctly local, rather than a provincial interest, due generally to the fact that the annual meeting of the year was held in a certain locality. This does not by any means, necessarily detract from their importance. The intensive study of local history and local records frequently supplies the only corrective of misleading generalities and misstatements, that too often deface more pretentious work, owing to haste and insufficient local knowledge. Such investigations tend moreover to enlighten local minds and vivify local interest.

Still may it not be suggested that the time has arrived when, without neglecting local fields of research, the Society may legitimately engage in the publication of documents relating to the history of the province as a whole.

Looking abroad, we find that in many, perhaps in most, of the neighboring States of the American Union, the State Historical Societies have been the chief moving influence for the preservation and publication of the earlier public records. For the preservation of such documents, as exist only in manuscript form, printing is unquestionably the greatest service that an historical society can render to the State and the student. Through the persistent efforts of the State Historical Societies, the Colonial Archives and Records in nearly all of the original thirteen provinces have been gradually transcribed and in great part, printed, thus making them accessible to a host of students, who otherwise could never have consulted them.

A short statement of what has been accomplished by them is appended. The cost of examination and transcription was necessarily considerable, in addition to the expenditure for publication.

The documentary publications of the Michigan and Wisconsin State Historical Societies are too well and favourably known to require further remark than to draw attention to the fact that a great part of the original papers printed

by them in recent years were drawn from the Dominion Archives, and we owe them an immense debt of gratitude for having published them at a very moderate selling price.

Can we not properly emulate the example set by these States by the publication of the official records of our own Province. It can be done with much less effort and at less expense than in their case. The material is easily accessible, and only the preparation of the copy for the printer will be necessary. Much has already been accomplished by the Provincial Archivist but much more remains to be done. The field is wide and inviting, the harvest may be anticipated to be ample.

It is proposed that the Society should undertake the publication of the official and semi-official correspondence of the Lieutenant-Governors and Administrators of the Province, with such annotations as may appear requisite. Success will naturally depend to a great extent upon voluntary effort, but the Province may be reasonably asked to bear the cost of printing these volumes.

APPENDIX TO PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Memorandum on the publication of the Colonial Records of the thirteen original Provinces.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.	Documents and records relating to New Hampshire. Twenty-nine volumes, 1867-1896.
VERMONT.	Vermont State Papers. One volume, 1823.
MASSACHUSETTS.	Records of the Plymouth Colony in New England. Twelve volumes, 1855-61. Records of the Governor and Company of the Massachusetts Bay in New England. Five volumes, 1853-4.
RHODE ISLAND.	Records of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations in New England. Ten volumes, 1856-62.
CONNECTICUT.	Records of the Colony of New Haven from 1638 to the Union. Two volumes, 1857-8. The Public Records of the Colony of Connecticut, 1636-1776. Fifteen volumes, 1850-1890.
NEW YORK.	Documents relative to the Colonial History of the State of New York. Fourteen volumes, 1856-1883.
NEW JERSEY.	Archives of the State of New Jersey, 1st. Series. Documents relating to the Colonial History of New Jersey. Twenty-six volumes, 1880-1904.
PENNSYLVANIA.	Pennsylvania Archives, 1st Series, 1664-1790. Twelve volumes, 1852-6.

- MARYLAND. Archives of Maryland. Twenty-seven volumes, 1883-1907.
- VIRGINIA. Calendar of Virginia State Papers and other manuscripts. Eleven volumes, 1875-93.
- A Calendar of Transcripts in the Virginia State Library, 1573-1772. One volume, 1905.
- NORTH CAROLINA. The Colonial and the State Records of North Carolina, 1662-1790. Twenty-seven volumes, 1886-1907.
- SOUTH CAROLINA. A list and abstract of documents relating to South Carolina, now existing in the State Paper Office, London. Three volumes, 1857-9.
- The Shaftesbury papers and other Records relating to Carolina and the first settlement on the Ashley river prior to the year 1676. One volume, 1897.
- Transcripts of documents. Thirty-six volumes.
- GEORGIA. The Colonial Records of the State of Georgia. Fifteen volumes, 1905-7.

SECRETARY'S ANNUAL REPORT, 1920-21.

For the year 1920-21 there have been increases in every line of the Society's work and also some important advances in the way of accommodation, for which the Society's "Papers and Records,") and had donated some objects of historical 1920, the transfer of the office and staff of the Workmen's Compensation Board, the accommodation of which in the Normal School Building had been a war measure created by necessity, relieved the situation and made additional accommodation for this Society in the building possible. Accordingly, on Dec. 17th, the Library and Property subcommittee, after a meeting, made a request by a delegation of its members to the Department of Education for more space. The use of the room adjoining the Society's office was shortly afterward granted to us, and also permission to use the basement of the newly-erected fireproof vault for the storage of the Society's stock of publications, of which it has a considerable quantity, besides its rarer books and documents. The entire stock, amounting to upward of 4,000 numbers, much of which had been stored in the basement of the building at the rear, was at once transferred in January to the new fireproof quarters.

MEMBERSHIP.

The membership affairs have shown satisfactory progress, the lists at this date containing 326 annual, 49 ex-officio, 6 honorary, 6 corresponding, 2 life, and 12 delegate members, making a total of 401. Since the last annual report there have been 6 deaths and 6 resignations; on the other hand 35 have joined the Society. The deaths recorded have been: Emerson B. Biggar, Toronto; Geo. Y. Chown, B.A., Kingston; Mrs. Ernest Cruikshank, Ottawa; J. L. Englehart, Toronto; Judge Herbert S. McDonald, Brockville; and Capt. Albert H. Van Deusen, Washington, D.C., U.S.A. Four of these were authors of historical publications, and shortly before his death, Judge McDonald read the proofs of the valuable article on "Col. Joel Stone" from his own pen in the Society's last publication (No. 18, "Papers and Records,") and expressed his pleasure at seeing it in type after being more than thirty years in manuscript form. He had also an article on "The U.E. Loyalists of the old Johnstown District" (No. 12 of the Society is indebted to the Department of Education for Ontario. At Dec. 1st., interest. Mr. Biggar also was a faithful, active friend of the Society.

The receipts from members' renewals have increased, so that the list of annual members is in a well paid up condition, exceptions being fewer than heretofore, any stress from economic conditions not being apparent. The ready response which many members gave to the request in the annual circular issued Feb. 1st, to send names in nomination for membership was gratifying, and the result has been the addition of the 35 new members. To all those who assisted in this increase, thanks are tendered. This is a larger number added to the membership than in any former year of the Society's history with the exception of the year ending June, 1914 (just before the war began), when a special effort had been made at considerable expense for printing and postage. The mean-

used this year to secure new members were those introduced and first used in 1918, the last year of the war, and which have been continued regularly since then, viz., to send a blank form of recommendation when mailing the annual statement of account. No more than the usual means therefore were used, and the cordial response was encouraging and indicated the passing of the effects of the war. The list of annual members, however, always contains a class whom we might call "spasmodic," i.e. those who are coming and going all the time, and other similar societies also report the existence of this class. On account of their presence the total number of members rises slowly, and much work has often been put on securing new members in past years frequently to very little purpose.

In connection with membership affairs, it may be added that the local historical societies of this province, incorporated by their affiliation with this Society, also report a total membership of 2,220.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

The Treasurer's statement, which has been duly audited, gives the financial transactions for the year. The revenue from cash receipts (\$306.00) shows a satisfactory increase, being made up as follows:

Sales of publications	34.00
New members	35.00
Renewals from former members	237.00
	306.00

Notwithstanding a period of unsettled trade conditions, these receipts are satisfactory, being ahead of other years except immediately before the war, as mentioned above. The bank balance is again in a satisfactory condition, due once more to the goodwill of the Department of Education which printed No. 18 of the "Papers and Records" and the Annual Report for 1920.

As the members have been dealing more kindly this year in the matter of financial support, having increased their payments, likewise the Ontario Government, through the Department of Education, has also, and in addition to the regular annual grant, the supplementary estimates tabled in the Legislature on April 15th contained a further grant of \$200.00, which will be available in the coming year.

PUBLICATIONS.

The Society issued an Annual Report for 1920 of 50 pages also Vol. XVIII of the series of "Papers and Records" containing in 110 pages, 15 papers, of the merits of which the satisfactory financial receipts for the year may be taken as being at least not an unfavorable expression of opinion.

Tables of the contents of the last six issues of "Papers and Records" were printed in the Annual Report for 1920, and these were combined with contents of the first twelve issues into an eight-page pamphlet for the use of intending purchasers, a small edition being issued.

THE LIBRARY.

The Library received in accessions during the year 246 books, 505 pamphlets, and numerous smaller prints. In these accessions 23 books and 102 pamphlets are on the subject of the war, the extension Committee on War Literature having been reappointed by the Council and having rendered valuable assistance.

After the addition of more space for the Society's library collection, new shelving had to be procured. The Subcommittee on Library and Property authorized the erection of two book stacks containing 112 shelves with a linear extent of 340 feet of shelving. This was completed at a total cost of \$109.64. And in the basement of the vault 260 linear feet of shelving were also added by the Ontario Department of Public Works, for the stock of publications, etc., making in all a total of 600 feet added during the last six months.

Since the increase of accommodation, much time has had to be spent by the secretary in placing in order the books and pamphlets of the Society's library collection in the new shelves. The entire collection has been placed in the shelves and classified, so that the library work is now carried on with greater advantage than before.

In miscellaneous accessions, the director of the distribution of war trophies at Ottawa allotted two captured German machine guns to the Society.

AFFILIATED SOCIETIES.

Three new societies have been affiliated as follows: Sault Ste. Marie Historical Society, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Owen Sound and Grey County Historical Society, Owen Sound, and the Georgian Institute, Meaford.

The unremitting efforts of the president, Brig.-Gen. E. A. Cruikshank, to improve the accommodation of the Society in its present quarters, and otherwise to help forward and improve its means of performing its work, have been fully appreciated by the secretary, and he wishes to place on record his acknowledgements of these timely services.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. F. HUNTER,
Secretary.

SPECIAL REPORT ON THE LIBRARY OF THE SOCIETY.

With the close of another period, one in which the influences of war conditions were severe—and the instalment of the Society's library collection in a room recently granted by the Department of Education for the Society's use for a time, and which has now been fitted up for the library, the occasion seems to require a special report on this branch of the work. At the present date, the library consists of 2,684 books, 5,200 pamphlets, besides many small prints.

In the departments of Ontario county and local histories, local historical souvenir books, records and transactions of the local historical societies, exchanges from historical societies in the United States, and materials of a nature pertaining to the work of the Society, the library is fairly well supplied. In more general

works relating to the country's history it has also some rareties, as for example it is the only public collection in which may be seen a collection of Canada Postage Stamps. In the matter of binding, however, it is very far behind, and a card catalogue is required.

The use of the library has increased and it is used more frequently by persons who are not members than by the members, and to non-members its use is given freely. Someone calls or writes almost daily to consult the collection on some historical point, and the enquiries are seldom from members. It is the general public we are serving, and in view of the very liberal support given to the Society by the Department of Education for Ontario, the freest use of it is extended to everyone.

Large libraries succeed best because of their full supply of reference works which have constantly to be used in connection with research in addition to the specialized literature on history. In view also of the need of book-binding, card-catalogues, more extended classification, and further equipment, the most useful services of the library can be had by a measure of co-operation in the future, especially as the increased use of the telephone has further emphasized the need for efficiency.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

June 8th, 1921.

A. F. HUNTER.

Librarian.

DONATIONS.

Canadian Publications.

	Books. Pamphlets.	
Canada, Department of Militia and Defence, Ottawa.....		10
Canadian Bank of Commerce, Toronto.....	3	1
Carstairs, Capt. J. S., Toronto.....		1
Clark, J. Murray, LL.D., F.R.S.C., Toronto.....		1
Conservation Commission, Ottawa.....	6	144
Eames, Frank, Toronto.....	15	3
Education, Department of, Ontario.....		2
Edwards, Major J. Plimsoll, Halifax, N.S.,.....		1
Ellis, P. W., Toronto.....		5
Ewart, John S., K.C., Ottawa.....	3	4
Gilkison, Miss A. I. G., Brantford (See also Misc.).....		4
McGregor, Mrs. D. M., Walkerville.....	8	97
Miscellaneous.....	18	99
Morley, P. F., Toronto.....	1	
Municipal Research, Bureau of, Toronto.....		18
Nash, Chas. W., Toronto.....	10	
Ontario Fire Marshall.....		4
Ontario Government Publications.....	2	
Orr, Dr. Rowland B., Toronto.....	3	
Pope, Sir Joseph, Ottawa.....		2
Publication Libraries Branch, Educational Department, Ontario.	1	
Riddell, Hon. Justice W. R., Toronto.....		1
Seaman, H. S., Winnipeg.....		2
	70	399

United States Publications.

	Books. Pamphlets.	
Hoover War Collection (Stanford University).....		1
Laidlaw, Lt.-Col. Geo. E., Victoria Road.....		1
Miscellaneous		1
Sherk, M. G., Toronto.....	1	
	1	3

EXCHANGES.

Canada.

	Books. Pamphlets.	
Archives Bureau, Ontario.....	1	
Brant Historical Society.....		1
Kent Historical Society.....		1
London & Middlesex Historical Society.....		6
Miscellaneous	28	23
Niagara Historical Society.....		1
Ontario Land Surveyors, Toronto.....	2	
Queen's Quarterly, Kingston (Vol. 28).....	1	
Royal Canadian Institute, Toronto.....	1	
Royal Society of Canada, Ottawa (Vol. 14, etc.).....	1	1
Thunder Bay Historical Society.....		4
Toronto, University of, Library.....	1	
U.E. Loyalist Association.....	3	
Waterloo Historical Society, Kitchener.....		1
White, A. V., Toronto.....	9	1
Women's Canadian Historical Society of Ottawa.....		2
Women's Canadian Historical Society of Toronto.....		3
Worden, J. C., Toronto.....	69	5
Young, Prof. A. H., Toronto.....	4	
York Pioneers, Toronto.....		1
	120	50

United States.

	Books. Pamphlets.	
American Historical Association.....	1	1
Boston Public Library.....	22	43
Bureau of American Ethnology, Washington.....	3	
California, University of, Berkeley, Cal. (Vol. 22).....	1	1
Congress, Library of, Washington, D.C. (Report, 1920, etc.).....	1	1
Connecticut Historical Society, Hartford, Ct. (Vol. 18).....	1	
Indiana Magazine of History, Bloomington, Ind. (Vol. 16).....	1	
Iowa, Historical Department of, Des Moines, Ia. (Vol. 12).....	1	
Iowa State Historical Society, Iowa City, Ia. (Vol. 18, etc.).....	3	
Medford Historical Society, Medford, Mass. (Vol. 23).....	1	
Michigan Historical Commission, Lansing, Mich.....	3	1
Minnesota Historical Society, St. Paul, Minn.....		3
New Jersey Historical Society, Newark, N.J. (Vol. 5).....	1	
North Dakota Historical Society.....	1	
N. Y. Public Library, New York (Vol. 24).....	1	
N. Y. Society of Colonial Wars in State of.....	1	

N. Y. State Historical Association, Albany.....		2
Ohio Archæological and Historical Society, Columbus (Vol.29) ..	1	
Onondaga Historical Society (Syracuse, N.Y.).....	1	
Rhode Island Historical Society (Vol. 13).....	1	
Texas State Historical Association, Austin, Texas (Vol. 24).....	1	
University of N. Dakota, University, N.D. (Vol. 11, etc.).....	3	
Washington (State) Historical Quarterly, Seattle (Vol. 11)....	1	
Western Reserve Historical Society, Cleveland, O.....	1	
Wisconsin Historical Society, Madison, Wis.....	1	1
	52	53

British and Foreign.

	Books.
Kungl. Vit. Historie och Antik. Akademien, Stockholm, Sweden.	2
Royal Colonial Institute, London, Eng. (Vol. 11).....	1
	3

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Society has also received the following:—

ANDREW BRAID, WINDSOR:—Photograph of tablet placed upon bridge spanning the Canard River, by the Essex Historical Society to mark the scene of several engagements in the war of 1812-14. Also clippings of newspaper articles regarding historical events.

FRANK EAMES, TORONTO:—Autograph letter written by the Rev. Enoch Wood, Feb. 11, 1858, with portrait of that clergyman.—Poems and Songs by Alex. McLachlan to accompany the Gaelic Bible of the Poet, presented last year.—Clippings of historical articles.

MISS A. I. G. GILKISON, BRANTFORD:—A collection of valuable historical clippings, posters, coins, flags, photographs, etc., to illustrate scenes and events in Canadian history, along with various historical pamphlets.

JUSTUS A. GRIFFIN, HAMILTON:—Historical Calendar for 1921.

MRS. D. M. MCGREGOR, WALKERVILLE:—Photographs and newspaper clippings illustrating events in Canadian history.

MAJOR A. A. PINARD, OTTAWA:—Photographs of memorial erected upon the supposed site of Father Le Caron's landing place, Penetanguishene.

M. G. SHERK, TORONTO:—Manuscript papers on the Niagara Peninsula written by his father, the late Rev. A. B. Sherk.—24 copies of the "Canadian Freeman" (York, U.C.) of various dates from Jan. 1, 1829 to Oct. 25, 1832, originally subscribed for and preserved by the Gonder family of Black Creek, Niagara River, Ont., of whom the donor is a descendant.—A manuscript paper entitled; "A Brief History of the Gonder Family," by M. G. Sherk.

Director of War Trophies, Ottawa: Two captured German machine guns and two ammunition boxes to accompany the guns.

Office Expenses, 1920-21.

			\$	c
1920				
June	30	Postage, June.....	8.42	
July	16	Typewriter ribbon.....	1.00	
"	21	War books (Resolution of Council, Mar. 12, 1920).....	1.25	
"	31	Postage, July.....	7.82	
Aug.	20	1 box envelopes (500), No. 7.....	1.25	
"	31	Postage, August.....	8.69	
Sept.	30	Postage, September.....	4.31	
Oct.	14	Letter file.....	.85	
"	31	Postage, October.....	6.35	
Nov.	30	Postage, November.....	1.20	
Dec.	31	Postage, December.....	1.64	
1921				
Jan.	31	Filing Annual Summary, Provincial Secretary.....	1.00	
"	31	Postage, January.....	3.05	
Feb.	21	1 box envelopes (500), No. 7.....	1.15	
"	23	Electric office lamp.....	3.45	
"	29	Postage, February.....	8.27	
Mar.	21	Ontario Library Association, membership fee.....	2.00	
"	31	Cartage, war trophies.....	.50	
"	31	Postage, March.....	10.50	
Apr.	30	Postage, April.....	9.18	
May	13	1 box envelopes (500), No. 8.....	1.50	
"	13	Account blanks (1 pad).....	.15	
"	17	War books (Council Resolution, Mar. 12, 1920).....	1.00	
"	28	War books " " " "	4.60	
"	31	Postage, May.....	9.87	
			99.00	

TREASURER'S STATEMENT, 1920-21.

Receipts.

			\$	c
1920				
June	1	Balance in hand.....	575.28	
July	14	Ontario Government Grant.....	800.00	
"	14	Net proceeds, Prof. Morison lecture.....	51.90	
Nov.	30	Interest on deposits.....	14.14	
1921				
May	31	Interest on deposits.....	12.10	
June	10/20 to	Members' fees.....	272.00	
June	1/21	Sales of publications.....	34.00	
			1,759.42	

Expenditures.

			\$ c
1920			
Aug.	25	400 letterheads printed and blanks.....	6.00
"	25	150 note circulars printed.....	3.00
"	25	600 filing cards printed.....	4.78
"	25	Railway expenses, annual meeting (George H. Locke, President, and Rev. J. C. Cadot.)	22.30
"	25	Prof. J. L. Morison, lecture, Owen Sound.....	52.00
"	25	Rev. J. C. Cadot, S. J. re annual meeting.....	25.00
"	25	Alex. McNeillage, extra services "	5.00
Oct.	22	Provincial Secretary's Department, filing registrations...	12.00
Nov.	30	Railway expenses (Aug. 26,) H. F. Gardiner.....	2.50
"	30	Engraving of Col. Joel Stone for Vol. 18.....	6.35
1921			
Jan.	7	Postage on 1920 Reports and Vol. 18.....	36.00
"	7	500 large envelopes for publications, and printed.....	12.24
Feb.	17	375 notices to members, printed.....	6.75
"	17	500 No. 7 envelopes printed.....	4.50
"	17	300 subscription forms printed.....	4.50
"	17	500 recommendations for membership printed.....	5.42
"	17	Printing and inserting 4-page circular.....	13.01
Mar.	9	Lumber for bookshelves.....	61.00
April	4	Brant County History, Vol. 1.....	5.00
"	14	1 gal. varnish, bookshelves.....	4.09
"	14	Carpenter work, bookshelves.....	44.55
May	31	600 four-page programmes printed.....	19.85
		Secretary on a/c salary.....	700.00
		Office expenses (postage, etc.).....	99.00
		Balance in hand.....	604.58
			1,759.42

MUSEUM FUND, 1920-21.

Receipts.

			\$ c
1920			
June	1	Canadian Government War Bond, 3rd issue.....	500.00
"	1	" " " " S. H.	50.00
"	1	Balance in Bank.....	27.06
Sept.	1	Interest on above war bond, Coupon 7.....	12.50
Nov.	19	" " war bond (S. No. H.), Coupon 2.....	1.37
Nov.	30	Interest on deposits.....	.54
1921			
Mar.	3	Interest on war bond, Coupon No. 8.....	12.50

May 10	Interest on War Bond, (S.No.H.), Coupon 3.....	1.38
" 31	Interest on deposits.....	.67
		606.02

Cr.

1921		\$ c
June 1	Canadian Government War Bond, S. No. H.	50.00
" 1	" " " " " 3rd issue.....	500.00
" 1	Balance in Bank.....	56.02
		606.02

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS.

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT NIAGARA, JUNE 8, 1921, AT 9 a.m.

Present—Gen. E. A. Cruikshank, Dr. Rowland B. Orr, Miss F. A. Redmond, Mrs. Lynch-Staunton, Mrs. D. H. McLean, Miss Sarah Mickle, Miss J. Carnochan, Miss Edith L. Marsh, Very Rev. Dean G. L. Starr, Andrew Braid, Dr. Jas. H. Coyne, Lt.-Col. A. E. Belcher, and A. F. Hunter.

On motion by Dr. Coyne, seconded by Mr Braid, it was resolved that a special committee consisting of Dean Starr, Miss Mickle and the mover prepare a suitable resolution of sympathy with the president (Gen. Cruikshank), on the sudden death of Mrs. Cruikshank. (The resolution prepared appears at page 12).

Applications from three newly-formed historical societies for affiliation were laid before the meeting, and,

On motion by Dr. Coyne, seconded by Dean Starr, it was resolved that—Regular notice having been received by the secretary from the newly-formed Sault Ste. Marie Historical Society of its formation and also its application for affiliation with the Ontario Historical Society, the same be, and is hereby, affiliated with the Ontario Historical Society.

On motion by Dean Starr, seconded by Miss Redmond, it was resolved that—Regular notice having been received by the secretary from the newly-formed Owen Sound and Grey County Historical Society of its formation and also its application for affiliation with the Ontario Historical Society, the same be, and is hereby, affiliated with the Ontario Historical Society.

On motion by Mr. Braid, seconded by Miss Marsh, it was resolved that—Regular notice having been received by the secretary from the newly-formed Georgian Institute (Meaford) of its formation and also its application for affiliation with the Ontario Historical Society, the same be, and is hereby, affiliated with the Ontario Historical Society.

The reports of the Society's work for the year just now closing were laid before the council, viz., reports by the president, the secretary, and the treasurer. They were adopted and passed on to the general meeting.

The meeting then adjourned.

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT TORONTO, AUGUST 4TH, 1921, AT
10.30 A.M.

Present:—Brig. Gen. E. A. Cruikshank, President, in the chair; Dr. Rowland B. Orr, Lt.-Col. A. E. Belcher, Prof. John Squair, Mr. W. H. Breithaupt and A. F. Hunter.

The minutes of the council meeting on August 26, 1920, also the minutes of the council meeting on June 8, 1921, were confirmed.

Communications expressing regret for absence from this meeting were received from Messrs. Andrew Braid and David Williams.

A letter of thanks from Miss Janet Carnochan, expressing her gratitude for the address presented to her at the Niagara meeting, was read and ordered to be printed in the annual report.

The appointment of standing sub-committees of the Council for the year was the first business.

FINANCE.—On motion by Prof. Squair, seconded by Dr. Orr, it was resolved that the Finance Sub-committee consist of the President, the Treasurer and the Secretary.

PRINTING AND EDITORIAL WORK.—On motion by Col. Belcher, seconded by Dr. Orr, it was resolved that the Sub-Committee consist of Prof. Squair, the President and the Secretary.

LIBRARY AND PROPERTY.—On motion by Col. Belcher, seconded by Dr. Orr, it was resolved that the Sub-Committee consist of the first vice-president (Dr. Orr), Prof. Squair and the Secretary.

In the matter of those in arrears for membership dues, on motion by Col. Belcher, seconded by Prof. Squair, it was resolved that, as the Council desires to retain the membership of as many as possible, those in arrears be asked again to pay, and if no response is received their names be expunged.

To select the time, place and programme for the next annual meeting, on motion by Prof. Squair, seconded by Dr. Orr, it was resolved that a special committee consisting of the President, the Secretary, Dr. Orr, Col. Belcher, and Mr. W. H. Breithaupt, be appointed.

The resolution passed at the annual meeting at Niagara regarding the appeal of the Six Nations Indians to the Dominion Government was next taken up, but as section nine of the Constitution prevents the discussion of questions involving political differences, no action was taken in the matter.

The President stated that he has been at work on the Correspondence of Governor Simcoe, and has already made progress with an instalment for publication, expecting that Vol. 1, may be ready by Xmas.

On motion by the Secretary, seconded by Dr. Orr, it was resolved that this Council approves of the work on the Simcoe Correspondence by Gen. Cruikshank, and assumes the responsibility for its publication.

On motion by Col. Belcher, seconded by Prof. Squair, it was resolved that the salary of the Secretary be increased to \$1,000 per annum, to come into effect from the first day of June, 1921.

The meeting was then adjourned.

APPENDIX II

REPORTS OF AFFILIATED SOCIETIES: (Alphabetically Arranged).

BRANT HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (BRANTFORD).

(ORGANIZED MAY 11, 1908).

Officers for year beginning April 1, 1921.

HONORARY PRESIDENTS.—His Honour Judge Hardy and W. B. Rice, B.A.

PRESIDENT.—Jas. S. Rowe.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT.—S. F. Passmore, M.A.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT.—T. W. Standing, B.A.

SECRETARY.—R. W. E. McFadden, B.A., 22 Chatham St.

TREASURER.—E. R. Read, B.A., LL.B.

CURATOR.—Mr. Reginald Whale.

AUDITORS.—Mr. Passmore and Major Gordon J. Smith.

HISTORIAN.—F. Douglas Reville, (author of "History of Brantford and Brant County." 2 vols. 1920).

MUSEUM COMMITTEE.—Messrs. R. Whale, R. W. E. McFadden, Rev. G. A. Woodside, M.A., T. W. Standing and Major Gordon J. Smith.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDING MAR. 1, 1921.

RECEIPTS.

	\$	c.
Balance on hand	308.52	
Grant—Ontario Government	100.00	
Membership fees		8.00
Bank interest		13.36
	\$429.88	

DISBURSEMENTS.

Postage	2.00
Printing of Manual	122.40
Hurley Printing Co.—Membership cards	3.00
Glass for museum cases	3.18
Advertising	2.94
Balance on hand	296.36
	\$429.88

Our historian, Mr. F. Douglas Reville, has succeeded after indefatigable application in presenting to the public his work, "The History of Brantford and Brant County." The first volume met with most favorable criticism everywhere. This work, published under the auspices of this society, is certainly worthy of the commendation it has received.

A splendid contribution to historic work has been made by Mr. John Robertson of this city in the "History of the Congregational Church."

During the year three open meetings and three executive meetings were held.

Rev. G. A. Woodside's splendid paper, "Hon. Geo. Brown, a Brant County farmer" was the great contribution of the year. Mr. Woodside is now preparing the "Life of Hon. David Christie." Many other historical tasks are under consideration by the various members.

During the year the Society issued a manual containing lists of donations to museum, papers read, papers published, etc. As a result, many requests for publications have been received.

Several splendid contributions have been made to the museum.

ELGIN HISTORICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTE (ST. THOMAS) ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1920-1921.

Seven regular monthly meetings were held during the sessional year, with an average attendance of thirty and upwards. Six members were elected during the year.

The following programme of papers and addresses was carried out:—

Nov. 8th. A Journey last summer across the Continent.

JAMES H. COYNE, LL.D., F.R.S.C.

Dec. 13th. The University of Oxford and its Colleges. (illustrated).

REV. PERRY S. DOBSON, M.A. (OXON), PRINCIPAL OF ALMA COLLEGE.

1921.

Jan. 10th. Crete, the Mother of European Civilization. (illustrated).

W. SHERWOOD FOX, M.A., Ph.D., DEAN OF ARTS, WESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Feb. 7th. On the Road to Mandalay. (illustrated).

F. H. SEVERANCE, LL.D., L.H.D., SECRETARY, BUFFALO HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

March 7th. The History of Bolshevism.

J. A. TAYLOR, M.A., INSPECTOR OF SCHOOLS.

April 5th. The Next War, and When.

A. M. GRAHAM.

May 9th. Origin and Growth of the British Navy.

HIS HONOUR JUDGE C. W. COLTER.

The Treasurer's Report appended shows a balance of cash on hand of \$309.15. The Women's Auxiliary, whose members are also members of the Institute, has a membership of one hundred, with a waiting list.

The meetings of the Institute have been among the most successful in the history of the organization, which has now completed its thirtieth year.

A list of Officers for the year 1921-2 is appended.

St. Thomas,
June 6th, 1921

J. A. TAYLOR,
President.

J. W. STEWART,
Secretary.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 9th, 1921.

RECEIPTS:

1920.

May 3rd.	Cash on hand.....	\$187.23
	Interest on Bank balance.....	7.74
	Dividend on Victory Bonds.....	29.00
	Government Grant.....	100.00
	Membership fees.....	26.00
		349.97

EXPENDITURE:

Municipal World

	Programme Cards.....\$	2.80
Dr. Fox expenses		
	Re-lecture	3.55
<i>Times Journal</i> Advertising....		17.40
Expenses regarding the		
	Lecture of Dr. Severance...	17.07
	Balance in Bank.....	309.15
		349.97

F. B. HOLTBY,
Treasurer.

OFFICERS FOR 1921-22.

HONORARY PRESIDENT: JAMES H. COYNE, LL.D., F.R.S.C.

PRESIDENT: J. A. TAYLOR, M.A.

VICE-PRESIDENTS: MRS. J. H. WILSON, W. H. MURCH.

SECRETARY: J. W. STEWART.

TREASURER: F. B. HOLTBY.

EDITOR: HIS HONOUR JUDGE C. O. ERMATINGER.

CURATOR: DR. ARCHIBALD LEITCH.

COUNCILLORS: MRS. J. S. ROBERTSON, REV. R. I. WARNER, M.A., D.D.,

K. W. MCKAY, A. W. GRAHAM, J. C. SMITH.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE: MISS E. D. BOWES, M.A., REV. PRINCIPAL DOBSON,
M.A., REV. J. W. J. ANDREW, A. W. BAINES, M.A.

ESSEX HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (WINDSOR).
(ORGANIZED, JAN. 5, 1904.)

Report for the year ending December 31st, 1920.

OFFICERS FOR YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1ST, 1921.

HONORARY PRESIDENT: Francis Cleary.

PRESIDENT: A. P. E. Panet.

VICE-PRESIDENT: Fred Neal.

SECRETARY AND TREASURER: Andrew Braid.

AUDITORS: Fred Neal and Judge George Smith.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: Francis Cleary, A. P. E. Panet, Fred Neal, Andrew Braid, Judge George Smith, George F. Macdonald, Alex. Gow, Fred J. Holton.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand.....	25.81
Members' Fees and Grants.....	101.14
	126.95

EXPENDITURES.

Cleaning Tablets.....	44.41
Balance on hand.....	36.16
Photographs of Tablets.....	22.38
Postage and General Expenses.....	24.00
	\$126.95

At the annual meeting we cancelled all former memberships and started afresh.

Number of Members this year, 71. Number of Public Meetings held this year, two. Number of Committee Meetings held, two. Number of Books and Pamphlets in Library, 100; number added during the year, 3.

We decided at annual meeting to print a third volume of Papers and Addresses, and the secretary is now obtaining prices on printing of same.

Lectures during the year, with subjects, dates, and names of lecturers: "The Evolution of the Name of Windsor as Given to our City," by George F. Macdonald; "The History of Fighting Island and why so named," Alfred W. Stevens.

During the winter we had all tablets cleaned and polished up, as exposure to weather had tarnished and made them rather undecipherable. Our annual meeting was attended by the largest audience we ever had at these meetings, and we have now 71 paid up members, with all "dead uns" cancelled.

ANDREW BRAID,
Secretary.

THE GEORGIAN INSTITUTE, (MEAFORD).
(ORGANIZED, 1921.)

OFFICERS.

PRESIDENT: W. H. Sing.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT: S. A. Gray.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT: W. Gardner.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: (Miss) A. O. Sunter.

TREASURER: Mrs. E. Raymond.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: G. G. Albery, Dr. Hamill, Thomas Barber, Mr. Burch.

Number of members this year: 20; number of public meetings held this year: 4; number of committee meetings held: 6; one business meeting was held at which Mr. D. Williams, organized the Society.

ANNIE O. SUNTER,
Secretary.

GRENVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (PRESCOTT).
(ORGANIZED, 1890).

The Grenville Pioneer Society was established in 1890. The qualification was:—"A descendant of an ancestor resident in Canada in 1792." The name was afterwards changed and the public admitted generally.

On March 7, 1921, at the annual meeting, the following officers were elected and form the executive of the Society:—

PRESIDENT.—F. J. French, K.C.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT.—Rev. Canon H. B. Patton.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT.—F. C. Stone.

SECRETARY.—W. S. Johnston.

TREASURER.—W. I. Keeler.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.—Miss Melville.

A government grant of \$100 having been received, the records have been catalogued and numbered, and material for a publication is being prepared. The records of interesting documents are in the neighbourhood of 100, open to perusal by any member of the Society, at the County Registry Office in Prescott.

(The catalogue of the records on file with the Grenville Historical Society is an extremely interesting compilation. A copy of it has been filed with the Ontario Historical Society.—Ed.)

HURON INSTITUTE, (COLLINGWOOD).
(ORGANIZED, 1904).

Report of the year ending April 30, 1921:—

Officers for year beginning Mar 1, 1920:—

PRESIDENT.—M. Gaviller.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT.—(Miss) Frances A. Redmond.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT.—Katherine R. Arthur.

SECRETARY-TREASURER.—David Williams.

AUDITOR.—W. A. Hogg.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—E. Griesbach, J. Biami, N. Howard.

Number of members last year: 40; number of public meetings held this year: one; lecture during the year: The World Problem of To-day, by Prof. D. R. Keys.

DAVID WILLIAMS.

Sec.-Treas.

REPORT May 1st, 1920—April 30th, 1921.

The activities of the Huron Institute have been continued throughout the year. On the part of the public there has been a marked evidence of an increased interest, and as a result the museum has received many valuable contributions, while the number of visitors has exceeded that of all past twelve-months. To-day the Institute is pointed to with pride, and is recognized as one of the important institutions of the town.

During the year the exhibits of pictures of the town and its people have been so added to, that the hanging space has become so filled, that screens and albums have had to be resorted to in order to provide proper display and care. By this course there is yet room to spare, so much that there is no reason for intending contributors to hesitate in offering any contribution they may have to the collection. Every picture and document of value will be given a place—the idea of gathering together the story of the past never for a moment being lost sight of. To search the attics, the albums, the paper baskets and the lumber rooms is urged upon the public. Many a treasure in the form of a picture, a map or a document pertaining to some spot of the town, or event in its history yet remains buried, and to bring the hidden bits of the story together and place them where they may be seen, and prove entertaining and educative, is not only a privilege, but should be, and it is believed, will be, found a pleasure.

To enumerate all the contributions in the picture section is obviously impossible in a brief report, but mention should be made of the continued generous additions from Messrs. Jury and Gregory, who for several years have added many photographs of current events. Another contribution this year which is exceptionally fine and valuable came from Mrs. C. A. Macdonald, this pertaining to the marine story of the past.

But the additions have not been confined to one section. That of archæology has not been overlooked. Through the interest of Mr. William Smith, formerly of Duntroon, but now in Saskatchewan, a very valuable exhibit of Indian relics has been added. This is composed of beads, pipes, amulets, skinning stones, and a French axe, all of which were gathered by the donor—an ardent student of the Indian period in this section of the county—largely from the vicinity of the McLean farm on the tenth line, township of Nottawasaga, west of Duntroon, and from the glebe east of the village.

Another donation worthy of notice is two German machine guns, of the type used in the first years of the great war. These came from the Dominion archives, through the kindness of Dr. A. G. Doughty, Director of War Trophies.

With the growth of the museum come new needs. First an increased membership of the Institute. Though this is not to be complained of in the past, yet with a large number, though the annual fee is small, further funds would be afforded for the extension of the usefulness of the institute. Second, more equipment is required. At the moment, a number of "silent salesmen" show cases would be of very great use. Were these provided, a more advantageous display of Indian and war relics could be made, at the same time affording, by the transposition of exhibits, greater space for the spreading of maps and documents. To meet these needs the assistance of the public is cordially invited.

During the winter, the Institute united with the United Farm Women of Kirkville, and held a public meeting, at which Prof. D. R. Keys of Toronto University spoke on "The World Problems of To-day." The rooms have also been used by other organizations for public gatherings.

In June last the Institute was represented at the Annual Meeting at Owen Sound of the Ontario Historical Society. This gathering was one of the great successes of the parent society, a fact that was a special pleasure to the people of Collingwood, because of the fact that the presiding president was Dr. George Locke, a former resident of Collingwood—one who takes pride in being classed as one of the "Old Boys" of the town.

In every way the meeting proved of great value, arousing as it did, a new interest in historical work in this section of the Province. As a result of the meeting in the "City of the Greys," a new society, The Owen Sound and Grey County Historical Society was formed.

Reports of this Institute were filed with the Ontario Historical Society, The Royal Society, The American Historical Society, and the Provincial Department of Education, to which acknowledgement is hereby made for the Annual Grant.

To all who have assisted in attaining the success of the year, and in promoting the interest of the Institute, the thanks of those engaged in the work are hereby tendered.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

FRANCES A. REDMOND,
Vice-President.

DAVID WILLIAMS,
Secretary.

KENT HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (CHATHAM.)

(ORGANIZED, 1912.)

Report for the year ending May 31st, 1921.

Officers for year beginning June 1st, 1920.

HONORARY PRESIDENT: T. K. Holmes, M.D.

PRESIDENT: W. N. Sexsmith, B.A.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT: J. H. Smith, M.A., I.P.S.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT: Mrs. J. P. Dunn.

SECRETARY: J. W. Mustard, B.A., M.B., F.C.I.C.

CUSTODIAN: D. R. Farquharson.

TREASURER: H. A. Dean.

AUDITOR: S. B. Arnold.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: The officers and Sheriff J. W. Gemmill, R. V. Bray, M.D., Thomas Scullard, Miss Esther Abram, Miss J. Houston, B.A., W. M. Foreman, and J. A. Walker, K.C.

During the past year the Society was made custodian of some captured German field and machine guns, which were allotted to the City of Chatham as trophies of the Great War. All obtainable data regarding these war trophies has been placed on record, and temporary measures have been taken for their preservation until their permanent location has been decided upon.

Local conditions, as to labor and equipment available, have hitherto been unfavorable to the recovery of the war material sunk in Thames River during Procter's Retreat, 1813. Efforts will be made to salvage some part of it during the current year.

As designated, the Provincial Highway traverses the scene of the Battle of the Thames, October 5th, 1813. It is hoped that some two acres of the battlefield, situated between the Highway and the River Thames, will be set aside as a Memorial Park to be cared for by the County Historical Society with the co-operation of other local organizations interested in Kent County's Historic Sites.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand June 1st, 1920.....	426.67
Members' Fees.....	2.00
Grants Provincial Government.....	100.00
	\$528.67

EXPENDITURES.

Printing	9.38
General Expenses.....	21.00
Miscellaneous	13.27
Balance on hand May 31st, 1921....	485.02
	\$528.67

Number of members last year: 85. Number of Members this year: 90. Public Meetings held this year: 6. Committee Meetings held: 1. Books and Pamphlets in Library: 140; number added during the year: 15.

Publications, Volume V. Papers and Addresses, 100 pages.

Lectures during the year, with subjects, dates, and names of lecturers: Nov. 12th, 1920, "Rare Documents," exhibited and explained by H. A. Dean. Jan.

14th, 1921, "The Indian and the Beaver," address by J. H. Smith, M.A., I.P.S.
February 25th, 1921, "Historic Points around Kent Bridge," Mrs. Fred. L. Arnold.
March 11th, 1921, "History of McKay's Corners," Alex. Young and "History of
Ridgetown," O. K. Watson, B.A.

J. W. MUSTARD, B.A., M.B.
Secretary.

KINGSTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (KINGSTON.)

Report by the Acting-Secretary of the activities of the Society during the past year.

I have the honour to report that:

1. Major-General Sir Archibald C. Macdonell, K.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., etc., was elected President, and the Lord Bishop of Ontario Honorary President.

2. Efforts were made to secure the control of the Murney Redoubt and to obtain financial assistance from the Militia Department for the repair of the fabric, negotiations still being carried on.

3. It was agreed to spend a sum, not exceeding \$200, on placing memorial tablets on the historic sites of Kingston. This is being done.

4. A "Publicity Campaign" was begun to increase the membership of the Society.

5. The President delivered a lecture to the Society on "Life in the R.N.W.M.P."

6. The Annual Meeting held on Feb. 10th, 1921, was well attended.

7. Some documents of great historic value were handed over to the Society by Mrs. W. F. Jackson:

(a) Treating of the desertion of two Militia men to the Americans in 1813.

(b) Demobilization Order issued from Kingston, 1814.

and by Mr. Jackson: *Upper Canada Gazette*, April 17th, 1823, belonging to Col. Stone. Many other documents of an interesting nature to citizens of Kingston were also presented by Mrs. Jackson.

8. A sum of \$200 was presented to Prof. A. H. Young to aid him in the publication of the "Parish Register of Kingston, 1785-1811."

9. Steps are being taken to organize a Pageant to commemorate the 250th anniversary of the founding of Kingston, in which celebration the whole city will be asked to co-operate.

10. Lt.-Col. Elkins, O.C., R.C.H.A., has been asked if he will undertake the marking-out of the site of old Fort Frontenac at present covered by the R.C.H.A. barracks.

11. The buildings at present to be commemorated by memorial plaques: 1. The 1st Parliament Building of United Canada. 2. The home of Sir John A. Macdonald. 3. The residence of the 1st Gov.-General of Canada. 4. The home of Molly Brant.

12. As a result of the "Publicity Campaign" there are now 108 members of the Kingston Society in good standing.

13. The Acting-Secretary is now searching into the history of the old Barriefield houses and R.M.C. buildings.

June 6th, 1921.

W. R. P. BRIDGER,
Acting-Secretary.

LONDON AND MIDDLESEX HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (LONDON.)

(ORGANIZED, 1901.)

At the annual meeting held on May 17th, 1921, the Society elected officers as follows:

PAST PRESIDENT: Fred Landon, M.A., The Public Library, London.

PRESIDENT: Mr. Harold Rennie, 11 Briscoe St., London.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT: Miss Stella Macklin.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT: Major T. J. Murphy.

SECRETARY: Miss Zella Fawkes, 474 Queen's Ave., London.

TREASURER: Dr. J. Davis Barnett, 313 Cheapside St., London.

CURATOR: Dr. S. Woolverton, Grand Ave., London.

EXECUTIVE: Mr. Andrew Stevenson, Principal John Dearness, Mr. Fred Landon, Miss H. Priddis, and Mr. H. Macklin.

LUNDY'S LANE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (NIAGARA FALLS).

(ORGANIZED, JUNE 23, 1887.)

Officers for year beginning May, 1921.

HONORARY PRESIDENT: Brig.-Gen. Cruikshank.

PRESIDENT: R. W. Geary.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT: H. L. Morphy.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT: Robert Chisholm.

3RD VICE-PRESIDENT: Rev. Dr. Wallis.

HONORARY SECRETARY: J. H. Jackson.

SECRETARY AND TREASURER: J. C. Morden.

AUDITORS: Robert Chisholm, C. C. Cole.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: C. C. Cole, J. H. Jackson, F. H. Leslie, H. P. Stephens, Miss Cryslar, Miss J. Barnett, Miss Butters, Mrs. Birdsall.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Year ending October 9th, 1920.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand Oct. 8th, 1919....	\$1,328.06
Members' Fees, publications....	124.05
Grants	200.00
Bank Interest.....	26.35
	1,678.46

EXPENDITURES.

Printing	\$801.20
Postage, stationery.....	83.61
Miscellaneous	40.03

Public Meetings held last year: Two. Committee Meetings held: Five.

Delegates to the O.H.S. Convention, Niagara, 1921: H. L. Morphy, 23 Lundy's Lane, Niagara Falls. Rev. Dr. Wallis, 'The Manse, Lundy's Lane, Niagara Falls.

Niagara Falls South, Ont.

J. C. MORDEN,
Secretary and Treasurer.

June 1st, 1921.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

During the year now ending the principal activities of the Lundy's Lane Historical Society were in the distribution and sale of its publications.

Three hundred and fifty complimentary copies of the Centenary Report were sent out in Canada, the United States and England; and about eight hundred copies of the Society's general publications were sold besides.

A copy of the "Centenary of the Battle of Lundy's Lane—" specially bound in purple morocco with tooled gold decorations, and a silver medal, were sent to His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales, which he cordially acknowledged in the following letter: viz,—

(Crest)

December 15th, 1920,
St. James's Palace, S.W.

Sir,

I am desired by the Prince of Wales to thank you for your two letters of November the 30th, and for the accompanying gifts of your beautifully bound book and the medal commemorating the centenary of the battle of Lundy's Lane; His Royal Highness is much interested in these records of your society and glad to possess such an agreeable souvenir of his visit to Niagara Falls; he further desires me to thank you for your good wishes which he heartily reciprocates.

Yours faithfully,

A. LASCELLES.
Asst. Private Secretary.

R. W. Geary, Esq.,

The President of the Society also wrote to His Majesty the King, enclosing a copy (in cloth) and asking His Majesty's acceptance thereof, and received the following despatch through the Governor-General of Canada.

(Royal Arms.)

Ottawa, 2nd March, 1921.

Sir,

I am desired by His Excellency the Governor-General to inform you that he has received a despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies stating that

His Majesty the King has been graciously pleased to accept the copy of your book entitled "The Centenary of the Battle of Lundy's Lane." His Majesty desired that his thanks might be conveyed to you.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

ARTHUR H. SLADIN.

*Deputy of the Governor-General's
Secretary.*

R. W. Geary, Esq.,

President, Lundy's Lane Historical Society,
Niagara Falls, Ontario.

The Society has received many congratulations and compliments from the recipients of this publication everywhere, and its correspondence has been greatly extended thereby; some progress, too, has been made, in the collection of early military relics, and antiquities with historical associations,—which are now very rare. The visit from the Ontario Historical Society during this month and the reception and entertainment of its officers and members are now being prepared for.

R. W. GEARY.

*President, Lundy's Lane
Historical Society.*

NIAGARA HISTORICAL SOCIETY (NIAGARA, ONT.)

(ORGANIZED 1895).

Report for the year ending June 1st, 1921.

Officers for year beginning Oct. 13th, 1920:—

HONORARY PRESIDENT.—General Cruikshank, LL.D, F.R.S.C.

PRESIDENT.—Miss Janet Carnochan.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT.—Rev. Canon J. C. Garrett.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT.—Rev. A. F. MacGregor, B.A.

3RD VICE-PRESIDENT.—E. H. Shepherd.

SECRETARY.—Mrs. E. C. Ascher.

TREASURER.—Mrs. S. D. Manning.

AUDITORS.—J. H. Burns and Jos. Healey.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—Alfred Ball, Mrs. G. Goff, G. S. Bale, B.A., Mrs. M. Bottomley, F. R. Parnell, Wm. Ryan.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

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Cash on hand from 1919	590.15	
Members' fees: 1919-20	135.00	
Grants: Province and County	225.00	
Miscellaneous	138.86	
	\$1,079.01	

EXPENDITURE.

	\$	c
Printing	476.65	
Postage	35.11	
General Expenses	138.86	
Balance	428.39	
	\$1079.01	

Members last year: 295; members this year: 305; public meetings held this year: 8; committee meetings held: 4; number of books during the year: 56; publications, names of authors and number issued: No. 32—"Notes on Niagara," 75 pages by Miss Carnochan; Twenty-fifth Annual Report; lectures during the year, with subjects, dates, and names of lecturers: "Rev. R. Addison" by Rev. C. H. E. Smith; "The Polish Force in Niagara" by Miss J. Carnochan; "Relief in Money and Clothing, etc., to the Poles in Poland" by Mrs. E. C. Ascher.

ELIZABETH C. ASCHER,
Secretary.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Since sending our last report we are glad to say that much work has been accomplished by the Society in different directions. We printed number 32—"Notes on Niagara, 1759-1860," reprinted number 6 and are now printing what will be number 33, which is being edited by General Cruikshank who has given us so much assistance in the past as numbers 1, 3, 9, 17, 26. This number 33 consists of documents from Washington on the war of 1812-14.

Meetings were held during the winter months and papers read, among them "Rev. R. Addison" by Rev. C. H. E. Smith, "The Polish force in Niagara" by Miss Carnochan, "The Red Cross work done for Poland" by Mrs. Ascher.

This year sterling silver medals were presented to pupils of the High and Public Schools for essays written by them.

Among the articles presented to the Society were: a fine water-color of the old bridge at Kingston, built in 1828; proclamation of Field Marshal Haig in German and English, Dec., 1918; chart of Lake Ontario from soundings in 1817; ancient sword from a bog in Scotland used in Covenanting times; drawing from an Austrian interned in Kapuskasing; specimens of womens' work in early years; a valuable and handsome show case; 150 coins of different countries; two large framed pictures of our boys in the war, of pupils of the High and Public Schools; German war trophies from Ottawa.

While we rejoice at the addition of over thirty members we are saddened by the death of several valued members. Mr. G. F. Rand's tragic death in an aeroplane crossing from France to England, that of Miss Mary Colquhoun, Miss McMaster, Mr. Jas. Flanigan of Chicago, Rev. J. Hewitt and Mr. E. P. Healey.

But the chief event of the year was the observance of the 25th anniversary of our Society. It had been customary to have a picnic at Queenston Heights in August, but this year it was decided instead to celebrate the 25th anniversary in September, it being thought that such an event was worthy of commemoration. Over a hundred members were present, some from distant cities. Letters of congratulation were read from members who had been asked to speak, but were at different points of the compass: General Cruikshank in Virginia, Hon. N. W. Rowell in South Africa, Dr. Coyne on the Pacific Coast, Capt. Carstairs in Nova Scotia, Rev. C. K. Masters and others; but in spite of this we had excellent addresses from General Ryerson, Rev. A. F. MacGregor, B.A., Rev. Canon Garrett, Mrs. E. J. Thompson, Mr. J. M. Mussen, Mr. Johnson Clench. Others who spoke were Mr. Green from Ottawa, Mr. Goodfellow of Beauharnois, Quebec, Mrs. Corley representing the Women's Society, Toronto. Lunch had been served before the addresses, and a motor drive followed to points of interest, among them the Historical building and Butler's graveyard which has been greatly improved, a bridge built to make access easy, the stones permanently placed in order, all which has been done by the Park Commissioners who have shown great skill and taste in the improvements.

Many visitors have inscribed their names in the register from many lands, among them groups of Scout boys, school girls, different clubs and societies, and we are particularly pleased to find the interest shown by the boys and girls in the history of the town and their country, so that we feel that one object of our existence is being accomplished in helping young Canadians to be proud of Canada and to know that Canada has a history.

We have over three hundred members and close the year with a balance of \$428 although such large sums were spent for printing and other unusual expenses.

JANET CARNOCHAN,
President.

OWEN SOUND AND GREY COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (OWEN SOUND.)

(ORGANIZED, 1920.)

Officers for year beginning June, 1920.

HONORARY PRESIDENT: J. M. Kilbourn.

PRESIDENT: John Parker.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT: Mrs. John Armstrong.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT: J. H. Rutherford.

SECRETARY: Howard Fleming.

TREASURER: Lyman Brown.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: Miss Kate Andrew, Miss Grace McClean, Mr. James Flett, Mr. Wallace Elmslie, Mr. R. D. Little.

RECEIPTS.

Members' Fees.....	\$25.75
Interest	.23
	25.98

STATEMENT OF MEMBERSHIP, ETC.

Number of Members: 103. Public Meetings held this year: 4. Committee Meetings held: 3.

Lectures during the year, with subjects, and names of lecturers: Rev. Mr. Cowan, "Early History of Georgian Bay." W. P. Telford, M.P., "Early Days in Sydenham." Capt. Peter Telfer, "Early Navigation on Georgian Bay."

HOWARD FLEMING,
Secretary.

STORMONT, DUNDAS AND GLENGARRY HISTORICAL
SOCIETY, (CORNWALL.)

(ORGANIZED, 1920.)

OFFICERS.

HONORARY PRESIDENT: His Honor, James Redmond O'Reilly.

PRESIDENT: John E. Harkness.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT: Adrian I. McDonell.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT: George A. Stiles.

SECRETARY: M. E. Mulhern.

TREASURER: A. E. Currie.

AUDITOR: F. D. McLennan.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: John A. Chisholm, Wm. Gibbens, Wm. Pollock, Ernest Hodge, Rev. S. Robertson, S. Morgan Grey, J. E. Chevrier.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand.....	\$10.00
Members' Fees.....	15.00
	25.00

EXPENDITURES.

Postage	\$2.00
	2.00

STATEMENT OF MEMBERSHIP, ETC.

Members: 15. Committee Meetings: 4.

M. E. MULHERN,
Secretary.

THUNDER BAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (FORT WILLIAM.)
(ORGANIZED, 1909.)

Officers for year beginning October 15th, 1921.

HONORARY PRESIDENT: Hon. Sir George E. Foster.

PRESIDENT: Mr. Peter McKellar.

VICE-PRESIDENT: Mr. A. L. Russell.

SECRETARY-TREASURER: Miss M. J. L. Black.

AUDITORS: Mesdames L. A. Graham and F. C. Perry.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: Miss Stafford, Mrs. Jno. King, Mr. F. C. Perry,
Dr. E. B. Oliver.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand.....	\$.97
Members' Fees.....	18.00
Grants	100.00
Donations	25.00
	143.97

EXPENDITURES.

Printing	\$ 93.50
General Expenses.....	20.00
Miscellaneous	14.90
Balance	15.57
	143.97

Number of Members: 21. Public Meetings held this year: 5.

Publications Issued: Annual Report (with historical papers.)

Lectures during the year, with subjects, dates, and names of lecturers:

Dec. 19th, 1919. Readings from Diary of Rev. Mr. McKeracher, first
Presbyterian minister in Port Arthur.

Feb. 28th, 1920. Hudson Bay Reminiscences, and

May 14th, 1920. Personal account of the Red River Rebellion and the Hudson
Bay Celebration, May 2nd, 1920, all being by Mr. A. M. W. J. MacKenzie.

M. J. L. BLACK,
Secretary.

WATERLOO HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (KITCHENER.)
(ORGANIZED, NOVEMBER 13TH, 1912.)

Report for the year ending December 31st, 1920.

Officers for year 1921.

PRESIDENT: W. H. Breithaupt.

VICE PRESIDENT: (Rev.) Theo. Spetz, C.R., D.D.

LOCAL VICE-PRESIDENTS: C. A. Boehm, J. E. Kerr, O. H. Vogt, E. Richmond, and A. R. G. Smith.

SECRETARY-TREASURER: P. Fisher.

AUDITORS: W. J. Motz, and C. E. Cornell.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: W. J. Motz, E. W. B. Snider, Rev. J. E. Lynn, and Miss L. M. Bruce.

The Annual Meeting on November 12th, brought a fair attendance of members and others interested in the work of the Society.

After a general review of the year's work by the President, Mr. R. K. Kernighan, of Rockton, favored us with an address, consisting of reflections prompted by a study of the Dundas-Waterloo road. Mr. J. E. Kerr gave a short sketch of the early history of Galt. Rev. J. E. Lynn, Kitchener, read a biographical sketch of the life of a Waterloo County pioneer in the person of the late James Livingstone, of Baden.

Miss L. M. Bruce, Waterloo, Regent of the Princess of Wales Chapter of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire, contributed, for the Annual Report, an account of the organization and work of the various Chapters in the County.

In other respects the year has been uneventful. Public interest which had been diverted to patriotic lines is again being directed to pre-war activities. It is probable that 1921 will witness the erection of public memorials in several of our municipalities, placing on record the achievements and sacrifice of our heroes in the Great War.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand.....	\$ 58.38
Members' Fees.....	63.50
Grants	240.00
Sales and balance of printing.....	34.20
	396.08

EXPENDITURES.

Printing 8th Annual Report, etc..	\$ 174.41
Postage and stationery.....	21.12
General Expenses.....	60.00
Miscellaneous	19.70
Balance on hand.....	120.85
	396.08

Members last year: 73. Members this year: 81. Public Meetings held this year: 1. Committee Meetings held: 3.

Number of Books and Pamphlets in Library, 200; added during the year, 25.
Publication: Eighth Annual Report, (600 copies.)

P. FISHER,
Secretary.

WENTWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (HAMILTON.)

(ORGANIZED, 1889.)

Report for the year ending June 6th, 1921.

Officers for year beginning June 6th, 1920.

PRESIDENT: Rev. P. L. Spencer.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT: Mrs. M. Henderson.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT: J. A. Griffin.

SECRETARY-TREASURER: J. H. Land, 109 Ontario Ave., Hamilton.

AUDITOR: W. A. Davidson.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: R. Butler, J. Gardner, J. E. Orr, J. G. Cloke, Kerwin Martin, H. F. Gardiner, F. E. Perney, W. F. Moore, J. A. Barr, J. Plant, W. R. Turnbull.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand.....	\$ 465.46
Members' Fees.....	30.75
Grants	200.00
	696.21

EXPENDITURES.

Rentals	\$ 5.00
Printing	142.73
Postage	2.00
General Expenses.....	25.20
Miscellaneous	78.34
	253.27

STATEMENT OF MEMBERSHIP, ETC.

Members last year: 71. Members this year: 79. Public Meetings held this year: 2. Committee Meetings held: 3. Books and Pamphlets in Library, 698; number added during the year, 28.

Publications. Names of Authors, and Number Issued. Vol. 9, papers and records, 400: Autobiography of G. H. Mills; Genealogical Record, Mills family, Stanley Mills; Gage family, S. Mills; a Pioneer family, J. A. Griffin; Canadian Patriotic Verses, G. D. Griffin.

Lectures during the year with subjects, dates, and names of lecturers:

1. Annual meeting, "Old Waterdown," J. Sparks.
2. Westminster Abbey with Views, Rev. P. L. Spencer.

J. H. LAND,
Secretary.

WOMEN'S WENTWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

ANNUAL REPORT, 1920-21.

In this report we are setting forth a short description of the work of this Society from its inception down to the present time.

Until the Society became interested, the battle-ground of Stoney Creek had received little, if any, care and the farm-house which stood there at the time of the battle had been left uncared for and neglected. Convinced that such an important event as the battle of Stoney Creek should not be forgotten this Society under the energetic leadership of the late Mrs. John Calder became affiliated with the Ontario Historical Society so that it might be able to purchase the battle-ground, and put both house and grounds in order so that coming generations would be reminded of this famous battle. So far as we know we were the first to undertake such a project, and we believe that this is the first time that such a project has been undertaken by a Canadian Society.

The last payment on the property was made in the year 1913. We intended proceeding at once to beautify the house and grounds but the Great War intervened, and being a patriotic as well as a historical society the members decided to devote their time and means to much needed war work, so for the time all projected improvements were allowed to lie in abeyance.

Last autumn the war being over we took up our improvement plans and owing to the interest of the Hon. Mr. Biggs, Minister of Public Works for Ontario, a grant of \$5,000 was made by the Government to our Society to lay out and plant the property. To carry out a plan made by an experienced landscape architect a great deal of work has already been accomplished. A further grant of \$2,000 was made by the Legislature at its last session and this enables us to put a handsome flight of steps up to the monument erected some years ago by the Dominion Government.

Each year we intend to finish some part of the grounds and before long expect and hope to have one of the most beautiful parks in Ontario.

These grounds are open to the public, but the house is for the members of our Society only.

On the 16th October, 1920, a tablet containing the names of all men of Hamilton and the County of Wentworth who fought and fell for their King and country in the Great War, nearly 1,600 in all, was unveiled and hung in the hall of the house. The preparation of this list necessitated a great deal of work and much searching of military records, but we felt that as a historical society

we should undertake the task, so that there might be a complete public record accessible to the people of those men of Hamilton and Wentworth, who fought and died for their country.

After the ceremony, which was very solemn and impressive, the relatives expressed their gratitude and thanks to the Society for what it had done.

As we have no dependable funds other than our annual fees which are inadequate to carry on our work we gave a dance and card party during the winter from which a goodly sum was raised.

We take, as we should, a deep interest in all the historical landmarks in the County, and having learned from the newspapers that the gates of Dundurn Park were to be removed to Wabasso Park across the Bay, a letter of protest was written to the Park Commission, and as the gates have not at this time been removed from where they have stood for the past two generations, we hope that the Commission has abandoned, if they ever seriously entertained, such an intention.

The Lieutenant-Governor at our request has appointed the Society to receive donations for the Westminster Abbey Restoration fund. As a part of the British Empire we feel it a privilege to help in preserving this wonderful building where are so many monuments of Britain's storied past, and we hope this fall to have a handsome sum to send from Hamilton.

In closing this report we extend a hearty invitation to visitors living at a distance who may sometime be in the vicinity of Stoney Creek battlefield to go over the grounds and visit the house. The caretaker has received instructions to show every courtesy to visitors.

WOMEN'S CANADIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF OTTAWA.

(ORGANIZED, 1898.)

Report for the year ending March 29th, 1921.

Officers for year beginning March 30th, 1921.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand.....	\$ 260.59
Members' Fees.....	38.00
Grants	200.00
Sale of Transactions.....	3.00
Interest	6.71
Money for Museum.....	34.50
	542.80

EXPENDITURES.

Printing	\$ 136.19
Postage	5.00
General Expenses.....	90.43
Miscellaneous	100.05
	326.67

Number of Members: 105. Public meetings held this year: 9. Committee Meetings held: 10.

Publication: Annual Report for 1919-20.

ALBERTA T. SOMERVILLE,
Hon. Cor. Secretary.

The Historical Society has completed a most successful year. New interest has been aroused, and old stimulated. Two honorary members: Mr. Justice Latchford and Mr. Cook, and 18 other members have been added to the roll.

Seven regular, two special, and ten executive meetings were held during the year. The first special meeting was held in the Bytown Museum on Friday, June 25th, from 4 to 6. Each member was asked to bring a friend. The guests were received by Mrs. D. H. McLean, President, Mme. Fauvel, Curator of Museum, and Mrs. E. A. Cruikshank. Mrs. McLean presented her report as delegate to the Ontario Historical Society which met in Owen Sound. After this report the objects of interest in the museum were examined by the visitors. Tea was served: Mrs. Billings and Mrs. R. Brown presided at the table.

On Thursday, Sept. 30th, Mrs. S. J. McLean entertained at a tea and money shower in aid of the up-keep of the museum. Dr. Helen McMurchy was the speaker and guest of honour. Her address dealt with the historic aspect of child welfare, showing its gradual growth from the time of Queen Victoria to the present day. Tea was served at the close of the address.

The first regular meeting of the Society was held in the Library on October 7th at 8 o'clock, when Gen. Cruikshank, F.R.S.C., President of the Ontario Historical Society, spoke on the Study of History. The speaker traced the development of history from the time when man inscribed figures on stone. He said in closing, "History will be authentic only when written by an expert who can ascertain the veracity of his data."

At the November meeting Mr. J. Jones Bell read a paper on the burning of the Parliament Buildings at Montreal in 1849 by a mob incensed by the action of Lord Elgin, Governor-General, in giving assent to a bill which refused compensation for losses to rebels of the Rebellion of 1837. The portrait of Queen Victoria was rescued from the fire on this occasion, and on two succeeding ones, the last being the fire in Parliament Buildings in Ottawa in 1916.

In December, Mr. W. J. Lynch of the Patents Branch read a paper on "Early Patents," referring more particularly to those of men residing in Ottawa up to 1872.

At the January meeting Mrs. Billings read a paper written almost a century ago—author unknown—called "How peace was preserved in days gone by," which paper was presented to the Society by Miss Ida Armstrong, of Perth.

A special evening meeting was held on Friday, February 4th, at 8 o'clock, in the Library when Mr. Justice Latchford, Toronto, formerly of Ottawa, delivered an address on "Pioneers of the Ottawa," which gave an account of the settlement of the Township of Hull.

The regular February meeting was in charge of Mrs. Wm. Ogilvie, widow of the late Wm. Ogilvie, first Governor of the Yukon, who in 1887 laid the boundary line between Yukon and Alaska. Mrs. Ogilvie's paper "Some experiences in the Yukon" was illustrated by lantern slides showing the picturesque beauty of woods, flowers, mountains, trails and camps.

At the last meeting held on March 11th, Mme. de Salaberry read an account of Col. de Salaberry's part in the war of 1812. When at Chateauguay he won a victory over the enemy with a force one-tenth in size, by judicious arrangement and clever strategy. Mme. Roy also read a supplement to her paper on Castine, given last year, which supplement told of a donation to Bishop Walsh of Portland, of a piece of land at Castine, on which to build a chapel to commemorate the founding in 1648 of this settlement by the Capuchin Fathers.

The Bytown Museum has had a most successful season, which opened in May and closed in November. Mme. Fauvel, Curator, and her committee, invited different members of the Society to take charge on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 3 to 6. There were 731 visitors, almost double the number of the preceding year. Many valuable objects of historic interest have been added to the collection; these will be noted in the annual report of 1921. Several schools responded to the invitation of the Society, and sent relays of students to examine the various articles housed in the Museum.

The President, Mme. Roy and Mrs. Billings were taken by Fire Chief Graham to visit the old Hudson's Bay store in Hull, now used as a dwelling. Snap shots were taken of the building, and one has been enlarged and will be framed for the Museum. Permission has been granted by the Quebec Board of Public Highways, to remove to the Museum, the mile-stone on the Aylmer Road.

The thanks of the Society are hereby tendered to Miss Masson—cataloguer of the Carnegie Library, to Mrs. Wm. Ogilvie, and Miss Eva Read for cataloguing the contents of the Museum.

We are also indebted to Mr. Sykes, Librarian of the Ottawa Library, for his courtesy in arranging that meetings be held in the Library.

Thanks are also due to Mr. Joynt for his great kindness in auditing the Society's books, and to the Press for kindly notices throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. GULLOCK,

Hon. Rec. Secy.

WOMEN'S CANADIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF TORONTO.

(ORGANIZED, 1895).

REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1921.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

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Cash on hand Nov. 1920 172.19

Queen Victoria Memorial Fund 6700.19

Members last year: 140; members this year: 150; public meetings held this year: 7; committee meetings held: 7; publications issued and names of authors: Transaction No. 20, "1 The Hudson Bay Co's Expedition in Search of Sir John Franklin, Commanded by James Anderson," with introduction by Miss Mickle; 2 "The Temple of Peace" by Prof. John Squair.

Lectures during the year, with subjects and names of lecturers: October, "Niagara in 1793," (Miss Mickle); November, "Report of O. H. S. Meeting at Owen Sound," (Mrs. Hallam); December, "Allenby's Campaign," (Major Norman Macdonald); January, "Stephen Jarvis, U.E.L.," (Mrs. Brydges); February, "Life of Featherstone Osler," (Mrs. W. T. Hallam); March, "Toronto Streets and Houses up to 1832" (Mrs. Neelands); April, "Canadian Poets," (Mrs. John Garvin).

MRS. CORLEY,

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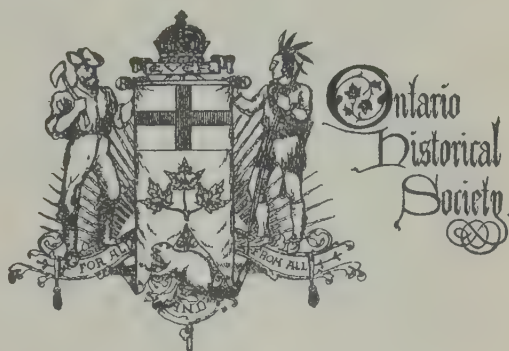
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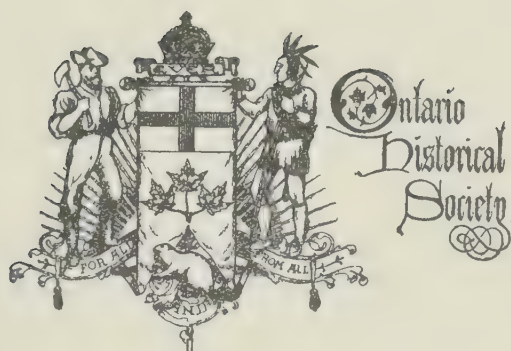
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Ross, Donald.	Wilson, Major Percy B.
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Rowell, Miss Mary C., M.A.	Witton, H. B.
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Unveiling of Memorial to Dollier de Casson and Galinée at Port Dover, July 5, 1922

In the presence of an audience of about 1,500 people from all parts of Ontario, Reeve John S. Martin, B.A., of Port Dover, opened the ceremonies at 2 p.m., beside the large cross 15 feet high, on Brant Hill, in that place, by announcing that on account of the heat the speaking at that point would be brief and would be continued in the Public Square immediately afterward.

The band played two selections: "O God, our Help in Ages Past" and "O Canada," after which Rev. John Robertson, M.A., of Port Dover, Presbyterian minister, offered an invocation in which he said that the men to whose honour the cross was erected were ambassadors of the Cross, who ventured into the primeval forest of this vast land that they might tell to the wandering tribes the message of the life of Jesus Christ. "We are here to set up this pillar to their honour, to their memory. In the name of Him whom we serve we dedicate it to their honour and to the glory of our common Master. May it help to keep their memory green and to inspire in others a stronger spirit of courage and self-sacrifice; and from east to west across this land we love may there be found through all the coming days a people who respect their heritage as a sacred trust to be used for Thy glory and pass it on untarnished from generation to generation."

Brigadier-General E. A. Cruikshank then said:

"This memorial is established here by the Department of the Interior, on the advice of the Historic Sites and Monuments Board, to commemorate the discovery of Lake Erie by the first two white men who set foot on these shores. A little more than two hundred and fifty years ago, on the 23rd of March, 1670, these two daring explorers and devout missionaries, Dollier de Casson and Galinée, erected here a cross and, acting on the instructions that they received from the great Intendant Talon, they took possession of the shores of Lake Erie in the name of the King of France.

"We are the inheritors of the results of their explorations. Our title is dated from the fact of their possession of the shores of this Lake on that occasion. These missionaries and explorers had resided here for several months before erecting the cross. They located a wintering place on the banks of the River Lynn, a short distance from here. The site of their wintering place was lost sight of and remained undiscovered until about twenty-two years ago when, owing to the researches and the efforts of our good friend and eminent scholar, Dr. Coyne, and Senator McCall and some other gentlemen belonging to the Norfolk Historical Society, it was discovered and located, and I am happy to say that through their efforts the title to that site has been secured and conveyed to the Crown, and it will be commemorated by one of the tablets prepared for that purpose.

"I ought to say a word of apology and explanation. This monument, unfortunately, is not altogether complete owing to the failure of the factory to supply the tablets that should be erected upon it. A *procès verbal* will be cast in metal and placed on this monument and a translation of it on the other side. On the

third or front side will be the inscription on the standard tablet that has been prepared under the auspices of the Board setting forth the discovery, which will complete the monument. It is regretted that the monument at the present time has not been completed. When this ceremony was contemplated it was anticipated that everything would be completed at the time. When we discovered that the contractors had fallen down, it was thought better to proceed and have the dedication take place now."

Gen. Cruikshank then proceeded to unveil the memorial, saying:—"Now I unveil and dedicate (removing flag) to the memory of these daring explorers and missionaries this monument on behalf of the Department of the Interior of Canada."

The band played "Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow," which concluded the ceremonies at the memorial.

The tablet on the front of the completed memorial bears the following inscription:

"Near this spot, March 23, 1670, was erected a cross with arms of France and an inscription claiming sovereignty in the name of King Louis XIV, over the Lake Erie region, as shown in the *procès verbal* reproduced on this memorial placed here in 1922. Canada was ceded by France to Great Britain in 1763."

The assemblage then moved to the public square (Powell Park), where the proceedings were resumed. After the band played "The Marseillaise" Reeve John S. Martin said: "Ladies and gentlemen, I want on behalf of the Council and the citizens of Port Dover to extend to you to-day a very hearty welcome. I may say that the place is yours. The Ontario Historical Society has never met here before so far as I am aware, but we are very glad to have you with us. We will do everything in our power to make your stay amongst us pleasant and profitable. I have instructed the Chief of Police to make no arrests on this day, so the Port is in your hands until you leave."

"Port Dover is just beginning to be known. Until recently very few people had heard of Port Dover. I had a friend, a gentleman, come here a year or so ago on business from a city in the States. He said he was unable to find out anything about Port Dover so far as trains were concerned. He went as far as Detroit and there he asked the ticket agent where Port Dover is. 'Oh yes, I can tell you,' said the ticket agent, 'but, I never heard of anybody going there.'"

"Ladies and gentlemen, we are proud to have you visit us, and I believe you will say we have a very pretty place. We have one distinction here of which we are very proud, and that is, I think we have the oldest inhabitant in Canada. When this project was first talked of it was being discussed on the streets and a gentleman heard them talking about these two priests who came here a long time ago and he said, 'Well, I remember when those two fellows came here.' (Laughter). He evidently had his dates rather mixed. This is a distinction of which we citizens of Port Dover are very proud."

"Now, ladies and gentlemen, the study of history is a most important subject. I do not believe there is any subject more important than the study of history, because it enables us to look at the past to lay our plans to look for what may

take place in the future. As we know, the study of history is to a great extent a study of the individual, and it is to my mind a most wonderful thing when you compare the intellect of the man of the present day with the intellect of the man of the stone age. What a tremendous advance has taken place since that date! It only goes to show what great advances will take place in the world. As citizens of Canada, the finest country that the sun has ever shone on (applause), it behooves us to lay great store by the past and to revere these intrepid men, who left their comfortable homes and set their faces towards the wilderness, and I believe to-day this striking and most inspiring ceremony will remain with us for all time.

"Those who think of the great advancement made by mankind, and consider the present age in comparison with the ages that preceded, cannot help being struck by the different outlook of mankind now as compared with, say, one thousand years ago. We are getting away from all narrow ideas and are beginning to realize that we are all brothers and sons of a common Father.

"We have a long programme. When the speaking is over we will have, I hope, sufficient boats at the pier to take all those who would like to go up to the wintering site. I will now ask Mr. Cook, President of the Norfolk Historical Society, to act as Chairman for the balance of the meeting."

Mr. H. Frank Cook said:—"Ladies and gentlemen, just before I call upon Gen. Cruikshank to reply to Reeve Martin's address of welcome, I may make a few remarks. Norfolk County has nothing to be ashamed of, even in its sand, because to-day we know that that sand will be reforested with beautiful pines, and even that 'blow-sand' that some people laugh at has been producing most remarkable crops in the last two or three years under careful and wise cultivation.

"Mr. Martin said that Port Dover was little known. He is a very modest man. It is one of the most widely known places on the map, thanks to John S. Martin and the White Wyandottes. You cannot go to Port Dover from February until April without seeing the station congested. People cannot use it because Martin has it filled with crates. Port Dover is well known, and will be better known from this time on. Even those Sulpician priests who came here two hundred and fifty odd years ago, said to themselves that this was an ideal spot for a wintering site, and you will have the chance of seeing the spot that they picked upon. They found things to their liking, so they said, but they must have had a hard time of it that winter. When we think we have a hard time sometimes with all our comforts and surroundings, let us hark back and think of those brave, intrepid fellows and their suffering and privation, worry and anxiety, even in Port Dover."

General E. A. Cruikshank then said:—"Mr. Chairman, ladies and gentlemen: It becomes my pleasant duty on behalf of the Ontario Historical Society, and also on behalf of the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada, to thank the worshipful Reeve and the village of Port Dover for his most kindly address. It is a most delightful thing for myself and for all members, I am sure, of the Ontario Historical Society, who happen to be here and all other outsiders who are strangers to Port Dover, to visit your most lovely place. I might venture to

say that it is the loveliest in Canada, but that might get me into trouble to say that here as I have to speak in Simcoe to-morrow. As the home of the Wyandotte king, Port Dover is widely known. I have heard it said that there are no less than four kings in Norfolk."

(The paper which General Cruikshank had prepared for this occasion, and now read, is published in full in Vol. 20, of the Ontario Historical Society's "Papers and Records.")

Continuing, Gen. Cruikshank said:

"We are very fortunate in having with us two distinguished scholars. We have Dean Harris, whose name is known to most of you, and who has written much and studied much upon this subject. We have also with us that eminent scholar, Dr. Coyne, who has made this subject peculiarly his own, and to whose researches in this, with those of Senator McCall and other members of the Norfolk Historical Society, we are indebted for the identification of the spot chosen by the explorers for their lonely winter sojourn. This identification was made twenty-two years ago, and it must be a subject of gratification to these gentlemen that their efforts have borne fruit and resulted in the memorial unveiled this afternoon. I am informed that the wintering place where the priests stayed before they raised the cross on the shore of the lake has recently been donated to the Government of Canada, by its owner, Mr. Clayton Ansley. I wish to thank Mr. Ansley for his liberality in donating that site. The site by the cliff where the monument has been placed has been donated by the Grand Trunk Railway, and thanks are also due for their liberality in placing that site at the disposal of the people."

The band played "The Maple Leaf Forever."

The Chairman then said:—"Before I introduce the next speaker I would like to remind you of the trip that is in prospect to-morrow afternoon. Leaving the Court House at Simcoe at one-thirty, the plan is to visit a few spots in Norfolk County that should be visited by the Historical Society. We will go to the Welch burying ground, then to St. Williams, down the Lake shore to Turkey Point (the Town of Charlotteville); then to Normandale where the first iron foundry in Ontario was established; from there to Vittoria and Port Ryerse and back to Simcoe."

Very Rev. Dean W. R. Harris said:—"Mr. Chairman and ladies and gentlemen: when Senator McCall, acting, I assume, on the advice of your distinguished Chairman, paid me the compliment to request that I should address you to-day, I accepted the invitation not solely because of my admiration for Senator McCall, but I was particularly delighted that it furnished me the opportunity of publicly testifying my respect for my great friend, Dr. Coyne. It has been my privilege to be intimately associated with him through correspondence and friendly meetings for many years, and I congratulate the people of Norfolk County and particularly St. Thomas in possessing one of the most distinguished and most amiable characters that I have been associated with for many years. More than that, I was keenly desirous of looking into the faces of the kindly people of Port Dover, of whom I have heard in Toronto so many splendid tributes

of admiration from those who had from time to time been your guests. Allow me, Mr. Mayor, to thank you and your advisers, your councillors and the people of Port Dover for their splendid hospitality and the kindly reception they have extended to us, your guests, this afternoon.

"When you, with your characteristic courtesy, intimated that the town was wide open I recollected years ago that the sheriff, who often acted as Police Constable of a certain town, stated to two or three of us, then much younger than we are now, 'Gentlemen, the bars are wide open, but I would not extend too much friendship toward those behind the bars.' It is hardly necessary to suggest anything of that kind will be intimated to us now, owing to the legislation of Mr. Hearst, because I and others shall leave the town as distinctly sober as we came to it. (Laughter).

"I wish publicly here to testify my admiration for the spirit of kindly liberality and toleration shown by the Protestant members of the Council and the Ontario Historical Society, the Mayor, the Chairman, Senator McCall and the people of Port Dover by publicly placing on record a monument of admiration for the heroism of the great men of two hundred and fifty years ago, the men of another faith, who entered this wilderness to carry the message of the Cross to the Indian tribes. You have given to the whole Dominion of Canada a magnificent manifestation of the toleration that should exist among all those children of God who stand upon the open platform of our common humanity. (Hear, hear). I thank the people of Port Dover for that toleration. A great thing has been done in your charming and hospitable town to intimate to the people of the Dominion of Canada that we will not bow to the old animosities and prejudices of the past. You have given to the people of Canada to-day, a positive assurance that the intelligence and enlightenment of the manhood and womanhood of this country wish to live in peace and harmony and to allow every individual the freedom and opportunity to worship God as he thinks best for himself (applause). You have gone very far to cement the bonds of friendship between the people of Quebec and the people of Ontario. Two hundred and fifty years ago Dollier de Casson and Galinée sowed the seeds of civilization and Christianity in this country, the harvest of which we are now reaping, and you, gentlemen, have sowed in the furrows of society the seeds of good fellowship and toleration, from which I am satisfied, generations yet to come will reap the harvest. The French-Canadian did a great work in opening up this country, as you have seen by the great missionaries who first set foot on your shores, men who explored the country from Nova Scotia to Georgian Bay and on to Sault Ste. Marie, and we owe them a debt of deep gratitude for the extraordinary heroism which prompted them to open up the fisheries and forests of the country for the splendid people who now reap the harvest sowed in those early days.

"Therefore, Mr. Chairman, in staging this great scenario to-day you have intimated to the people of the Dominion of Canada your admiration and respect for the early pioneers and missionaries who first entered this country and carried with them the heroic spirit of the French-Canadians of Quebec. I feel satis-

fied that to-morrow in the French journals of Quebec, Montreal and Three Rivers, mention will be favorably made of this splendid demonstration that you have staged in honor of these daring French priests.

"I assure you I am delighted to be among your guests this afternoon, for I feel that this great presentation which you have staged has been done from the warmth of your large Protestant hearts, and I, a Catholic priest, feel proud to be here to take part in this great celebration. You have given a lesson of friendship, of toleration, of national courtesy that I am satisfied will remain for all time and will influence for good the hearts of the people here to-day. I congratulate you upon what you have achieved. I congratulate you upon being accessories to this splendid manifestation of friendly feeling, and I feel you have done more than all the historians in the last sixty years for the peace, good fellowship and contentment in the hearts of the people of the Dominion, and that out of this will come prosperity, friendship, and brotherly love" (applause).

Dr. J. H. Coyne then said:—"Mr. Chairman, ladies and gentlemen, I must begin by thanking those in charge of this meeting to-day for the honor they have done me in asking me to take some part in this great celebration. I have to thank the speakers who have preceded me for the too kindly references that they have made to the work that I have done in connection with it. It is a great many years since I began to take an interest in this part of the country on account of the historical associations connected with it. I shall not go into that history now. I shall merely congratulate the Norfolk Historical Society, whose efforts of many years have at last been crowned with success, and in connection with that Society I wish especially to mention one or two names which are entitled to special honor in connection with the proceedings to-day. One of these is the late Mr. H. D. Stringer, whose name should certainly be mentioned on an occasion of this kind, because after the publication in the *Simcoe Reformer* by Mr. Donly of a paper dealing with the explorers, Mr. Stringer, having had his attention called to a statement that the Sulpicians had wintered at Port Dover, came to Mr. Donly and said he believed he could locate the site. I shall not go into details about that, although I think honor should be paid to those entitled to honor in that connection, but as General Cruikshank has stated, the site has been identified where they spent the winter of 1669-70, and to-day we have unveiled a monument commemorating the memorial that they set up on the cliff before they departed.

"I hope you have forgotten a great deal of what General Cruikshank has said, because necessarily the two papers will overlap each other, but it is my duty to give you some account of the priests who wintered here in 1669-70, and to call attention to the fact that while we have just visited a great summer resort, the two men in whose honor we meet to-day, the very first residents of the town of Port Dover, came to Port Dover as a winter resort."



Dwelling house (now deserted) on Troyer's Flats, Long Point Bay—the latest home of the Troyer family, who in 1790 were the first to settle on Lake Erie from Fort Erie to Detroit River.

Photo by M. O. Hammond.



Present church edifice at Vittoria of the first Baptist Congregation in Ontario.

Photo by M. O. Hammond.

(The paper which Dr. Coyne had prepared for this occasion, on "The Dollier-Galinée Expedition, 1669-70," and now read, is published in full in Vol. XX of the Ontario Historical Society's "Papers and Records").

Senator Alex. McCall said that those who had preceded him had spoken kindly of his part. It was true that he had taken a great deal of interest in having the point marked, but associated with him were others who had given effort as cheerfully as he had done. Fortunately he had been in the position at Ottawa to call the attention of the Government to the matter, and thus to assist in bringing about the erection of the cross. It had been his privilege to know something of the pioneers of the County, of the hardships they endured, of the long journeys necessary to reach their homes. He considered the young women of early days were just as beautiful in face and form as those of to-day, and they did their duty as willingly and took their share in clearing the land and building the home. Those of the present day must carry on with moderation and toleration and the other qualities necessary to make a strong nationality.

The proceedings at the public square then terminated with the "National Anthem," after which many of the visitors were conveyed in motor boats from the wharf to the spot up Black Creek, where the two missionaries and their party are believed to have wintered, and where the outlines of what seemed to be two large cabins are still visible.

After the return of the boats, the visitors were entertained in the Port Dover Public Hall at 6 p.m. to a luncheon. A cordial vote of thanks to the Reeve and Council and citizens of Port Dover, and especially the ladies, was tendered by Gen. Cruikshank, seconded by Col. Belcher. This was responded to by Reeve John S. Martin and Councillor Barwell, in appropriate terms.

A band concert was given in the public square in the evening.

Amongst those whose names were recorded in the register of attendance for the Port Dover meetings and the Simcoe meetings, (many unavoidably being unrecorded) were the following:—

BRANTFORD.—Miss Augusta I. G. Gilkison, Col. H. F. Leonard, R. W. McGregor.

CHATHAM.—Dr. J. W. Mustard, Secretary, Kent Historical Society.

GALT.—James E. Kerr.

GODERICH.—James Mitchell.

HAMILTON.—H. F. Gardiner, Wentworth Historical Society; Miss McQuesten, Women's Wentworth Historical Society; Rev. Canon P. L. Spencer, Wentworth Historical Society; and H. B. Witton.

HESPELER.—D. N. Panabaker, mayor.

KINGSTON.—Mrs. Edith M. Carey, Kingston Historical Society.

KITCHENER.—W. H. Breithaupt, C.E., Waterloo Historical Society; Rev. Father Zinger.

LONDON.—J. Davis Barnett, LL.D., London and Middlesex Historical Society; Mrs. W. C. Barron, Dr. J. W. Crane, Fred Landon, M.A., London

and Middlesex Historical Society; Mr. F. E. Leonard, Mrs. Leonard and Miss Leonard.

NEW YORK CITY.—G. Y. Barber.

NIAGARA.—J. M. Mussen, mayor, and Mrs. Mussen, Mrs. Elizabeth J. Thompson, Niagara Historical Society.

NIAGARA FALLS.—J. C. Morden, Secretary, Lundy's Lane Historical Society.

OTTAWA.—Brig.-Gen. E. A. Cruikshank, president, O.H.S., 1921-2; Mrs. W. Cowling Gullock, Women's Canadian Historical Society of Ottawa.

PORT DOVER.—Councillor Barwell, W. A. Gordon, Stephen Maneer, John S. Martin, B.A., reeve; Rev. John Robertson, M.A., F. H. Stringer, and many others.

PORT ROWAN.—Miss I. A. Templeton Armstrong, Mrs. Annie L. Buck.

SIMCOE.—Judge Arthur T. Boles, F. E. Cantelon, H. Frank Cook, B.A., president, Norfolk Historical Society; H. B. Donly and Mrs. Donly, Rev. A. B. Farney, T. E. Langford, M.A.; Hon. Senator Alex. McCall, Miss McCall, Miss C. A. McCall, D. T. McCall, W. C. McCall, Dr. W. A. McIntosh, mayor; H. S. Macpherson, secretary, Norfolk Historical Society; Frank Reid, Adam G. Rose, George J. Ryerse, M. M. Smith, Sheriff W. Tisdale, John A. Wallace, M.P., and many others.

ST. JACOBS.—Elliott Richmond and Mrs. Richmond.

ST. THOMAS.—Dr. Jas. H. Coyne and Mrs. Coyne, Miss Margaret Coyne, J. G. B. Coyne, M.C., Mrs. Geo. Elliott, William Elliott, Mrs. F. B. Holtby, Mrs. Chas. Love, Mrs. A. E. Marlatt, Jas. E. Nelson, secretary, Elgin Historical and Scientific Institute; J. S. Robertson and Mrs. Robertson, Dr. Geo. A. Shannon and Mrs. Shannon, Mr. J. C. Smith, and others.

TORONTO.—Lt.-Col. A. E. Belcher, M. O. Hammond, Very Rev. Dean W. R. Harris, A. F. Hunter, secretary; Dr. Rowland B. Orr, president, O.H.S., 1922-3; Mrs. O. B. Sheppard, York Pioneer and Historical Society; Louis J. Walker and Mrs. Walker, and others.

WINDSOR.—Andrew Braid, Essex Historical Society, and Mrs. Braid; Geo. F. Macdonald, Essex Historical Society, and Mrs. Macdonald.

WOODSTOCK.—J. L. Wilson.

YORK MILLS.—Charles W. Jefferys.

ANNUAL MEETING, 1922

The Annual Meeting of the Ontario Historical Society for 1922 opened at 10 a.m., Thursday, July 6th, at the Town of Simcoe, in the Court House. Those in attendance at this session (which was devoted to the business affairs of the Society), or at the subsequent sessions during the meeting, are included in the preceding list of members, delegates and their friends.

The President, Brig.-Gen. E. A. Cruikshank, opened the meeting, and the Mayor of Simcoe, Dr. W. A. McIntosh, gave an address of welcome to the visiting Society, expressing the hope that the meeting would prove a successful one. In the course of his remarks he said that there is some confusion of long standing over the use of the name "Simcoe." There is a County of Simcoe as well as the Town of Simcoe, which are in different parts of the Province, and this gives rise to continual mistakes, especially in news items, as often one does not know whether the County or the Town is meant. A communication is in preparation asking the County of Simcoe to change its name, which he thought could be done more easily than to change the name of the town. He hoped the meeting would result in increasing local activity in the historical research which Norfolk County, as an important field for further work, offers to the historian.

Gen. Cruikshank, responding on behalf of the Society, thanked the Mayor for his cordial welcome, and read his Annual Report as President. (See Appendix I).

The Secretary, A. F. Hunter, then read his Annual Report of the work of the Society for 1921-2. (See Appendix I).

In addition to the particulars contained in the report, he made a few oral comments upon some items not named in it. The Society has been co-operating with the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Ottawa in the preparation of a list of historic spots in Ontario. The two organizations have exchanged lists, and in this way each now has a joint list of over 800 such spots in Ontario worthy of being marked for their historic interest. The Ontario Department of Highways is considering the issue of a small booklet containing a selected list of such spots near the highways under their supervision, with a map for tourists.

He also emphasized the importance of the announcement briefly made in the President's Report, viz., that the first volume of the official correspondence of Governor Simcoe has been completed by the President, who very generously places it at the disposal of the Ontario Historical Society, without charge or condition. It becomes the responsibility of the Ontario Historical Society to see that this valuable work shall appear in printed form at an early date. A small nominal charge for the work will perhaps have to be made, but it is hoped that it can be placed within the reach of everyone at a trifling cost.

The Treasurer, Lt.-Col. A. E. Belcher, read his Annual Report, and Financial Statement for 1921-2. (See Appendix I).

On motion by Dr. Jas. H. Coyne, seconded by Mr. W. H. Breithaupt, it was resolved that the reports of the President, the Secretary, and the Treasurer, be adopted and printed.

On motion by Andrew Braid, seconded by Mrs. Thompson, it was resolved that the meeting select for appointment to the Nominating Committee: Mrs. Gullock, Mr. Geo. F. Macdonald, Mr. Mitchell, Mrs. Thompson and Mr. Gardiner.

The President appointed the following as members of the Nominating Committee, according to Regulation No. 24: Dr. Jas. H. Coyne, Dr. Rowland B. Orr, and Rev. Canon P. L. Spencer.

On motion by Mrs. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, it was resolved that a Committee on Resolutions be appointed consisting of: Fred. Landon, Chairman: Senator McCall, J. C. Morden, W. H. Breithaupt, Dr. J. Davis Barnett, and Andrew Braid.

(An adjournment was made for a few minutes to permit of the taking of a group photograph of those in attendance at the meeting.)

The reading of reports on the work of the affiliated societies was then taken up in alphabetical order. Delegates and others reported upon the work of local societies as follows:—

Brant, Elgin, Essex, Frontenac and Kingston, Kent, London and Middlesex, Lundy's Lane, Niagara, Norfolk, Waterloo, Wentworth, Women's Canadian Historical Society of Ottawa, and Women's Wentworth Historical Society.

When presenting a report from the Niagara Historical Society, Mrs. E. J. Thompson mentioned that the society is issuing a third edition of a small but useful eight-page printed list of "Points of Interest about Niagara." There is much demand for this list, and that society's experience in this line may be helpful to other historical societies. Mrs. Thompson also mentioned the work of a school teacher at Thorold, where the foreign element in the population is quite large owing to the Welland Canal enlargement. This teacher brings a few of the young foreigners as pupils each Saturday to see the historical museum at Niagara, "and you would be surprised," said Mrs. Thompson, "if you heard the intelligent questions asked by these foreign-born children about Canada. This young man is doing much to make them better Canadians." This historical museum at Niagara, through Miss Carnochan's faithful work, now contains 10,000 articles, and is a valuable factor in education.

When outlining the work of the Norfolk Historical Society, the President, Mr. H. Frank Cook and Senator McCall spoke of the abundance of historical material in Norfolk County awaiting research, while Dr. Jas. H. Coyne and Jas. Mitchell advocated more activity in the collection of articles published in local newspapers containing local historical facts, and their compilation into scrap books, as this material is often invaluable.

Mr. H. F. Gardiner, of Hamilton, spoke of the extensive interest apparently aroused by a series of articles he had recently prepared for a Hamilton newspaper and entitled "Hamilton's Stone Age," in which he described the stone houses in that city, as they were in former years, and suggested this line of work, or similar lines, as useful fields for local societies.

This session was then adjourned.

In the afternoon, the Norfolk Historical Society entertained the members and delegates of the Ontario Historical Society, with their friends, to an interesting motor drive to various places of historic interest through the southern townships of Norfolk County. Leaving the Court House square at 1.30 p.m. in about fifteen motor cars, the first stop was at the Welch Farm, in the Township of Charlotteville, where, in a hayfield, half a mile from the public road, is the old Welch family burying ground. Here lie the remains of several pioneers, including Thomas Welch* who died July 2nd, 1816, in his 74th year, and Mary, his wife, who died June 19th, 1817, in her 61th year, United Empire Loyalists. He was the first Registrar of deeds for Norfolk County, having been appointed to that office in 1796. And their son, Francis Leigh Welch, occupied the same office, as Deputy and then Registrar, for 76 years, until his death in 1884 at the age of ninety-five.

The Provincial Forest Station in Walsingham Township, near St. Williams, was the next stopping place. The forestry farm contains about 1,800 acres of sandy land, on which good progress has been made in raising seedling trees for shipment to those interested in reforestation. The resident director, Mr. F. S. Newman, explained the work of the station to the party, and acted as their guide through the nurseries. This Norfolk Forest Station was started in 1909, and the oldest plants in the station, now 13 years old, are about 21 feet high. Pines are the chief kinds grown in the seed beds, which contain about 18,000,000 seedling pines at the present time—white pine, red pine, Jack pine, with various foreign species, particularly the Scotch fir. The native Canadian species, however, are found by experiment to give better satisfaction than the imported kinds. Other species of trees besides pine, especially those kinds useful for wood pulp, receive attention at the Norfolk Forest Station, whose work is annually described in the Report of the Minister of Lands and Forests for Ontario.

Passing around through the Village of Port Rowan, the party next halted at the Troyer Flats beside Long Point Bay. Hither came Dr. Troyer about the year 1790 from the United States, and became the first settler in Norfolk County, so far as historical research has been able to settle the question. And not only the first settler in Norfolk County, but he appears to have been the first from the Niagara River to the Detroit, along the Lake Erie front. At this historic spot, amidst the tall weeds that now overrun the Troyer Flats, Dr. Jas. H. Coyne gave to the excursionists a recital of the outstanding facts connected with the singular career of Dr. Troyer. These particulars may be found in Dr. Coyne's interesting article in the Transactions of the Royal Society of Canada for 1919, (Third Series, Vol. XIII.,) entitled "David Ramsay and Long Point in Legend and History."

*A two-page sketch of the life and family of Thomas Welch appeared in the Annual Report of the Association of Ontario Land Surveyors, No. 34, (1919), pp. 77-8. He surveyed twelve or more townships in Welland, Haldimand and Norfolk counties, the Six Nations' lands on the Grand River, the Town Plot of Turkey Point, and various other areas in that part of the Province, besides having made many surveys in New Brunswick before coming to Ontario.

Following along the high ground over which the road now passes, with a fine view of Turkey Point in the distance and its vast tracts of marsh lands intervening, the excursionists next halted at the site of what was once planned to be an important place, the Town of Turkey Point. This place was visited and the town site selected by Governor Simcoe in September, 1795, for a naval station on Lake Erie, opposite that of the United States at Presqu'isle, now Erie city, Pa. The cliffs at this place are high and steep, affording some natural defence, and during the war of 1812-15 some entrenchments were made, remains of which still exist. But "Fort Norfolk" did not become an extensive place, and is now without any permanent buildings, although from 1800 to 1816 it was the official centre of the London District.

At Normandale, farther east, the excursionists saw the site of the first iron foundry in Western Ontario, where Joseph and Benjamin VanNorman started their blast furnace in 1823 for the manufacture of iron from bog ore. The site of the foundry is now occupied, at least in part, by the Provincial Fish Hatchery, but the abundance of fragments of slag around the place bears ample testimony to the former industry.

At the village of Vittoria the party had an opportunity of seeing the official centre of the London District from 1816 to 1827. The present Episcopal church, built in 1846 during the rectorship of the Rev. Mr. Evans, stands in what was once the Court House square. The Court House built here in 1815 or a little later, was the municipal centre of the London District until after its destruction by fire in 1826, a district which extended over a large tract of western Ontario at the time. The Baptist church here dates from 1851-2, but the congregation has the name of being the first Baptist unit in Upper Canada, dating from 1804. This hamlet, with its churches going back more than seventy years, has much natural beauty.

The railroad-killed lakeport of Port Ryerse was the last place visited in this interesting tour. Here settled Col. Samuel Ryerse with his family in 1794, and also a little later, his brother, Col. Joseph Ryerson, father of Egerton Ryerson, whose birthplace still stands on the top of the eminence beside Lake Erie. This ground is therefore associated with the early years of the most prominent figure of the education system of Ontario. In the cemetery near by are the graves of Col. Samuel Ryerse, who died June 12th, 1812, in his 66th year, and his widow, Sarah Ryerse, who died October 14th, 1838, aged 80 years. The party then returned to Simcoe, and enjoyed a hearty luncheon at the Golf and Country Club, of which Mr. H. B. Donly is President.

After the drive to Port Rowan and other places, and the luncheon provided by the Norfolk Historical Society and the Norfolk and Simcoe Country Club, at the Clubhouse, a session was held in the Clubhouse at which papers and addresses were given as follows:—

Brigadier-General Cruikshank, President, in the chair.

Senator McCall read a paper on the Normandale Furnace entitled "Normandale and the VanNormans."

Mr. H. B. Donly addressed the assemblage on "Turkey Point, or Charlottesville."

Mr. Frank Leonard, of London, Ont., then spoke on the Normandale Iron Foundry.

Mr. George J. Ryerse, who was introduced as a lineal descendant in the male line of the founder of Port Ryerse, spoke upon Port Ryerse and its former commercial prosperity.

Mr. Frank Reid then spoke on Vittoria.

(The foregoing five papers and addresses are published in Vol. XX of the Ontario Historical Society's "Papers and Records.")

Dr. J. H. Coyne moved a vote of thanks to the Norfolk Historical Society and the Norfolk and Simcoe Country Club for their kindness and hospitality. He said there was probably not a County in the Dominion so filled with historical material as Norfolk. This material should be saved for the instruction of future generations. In England there were thousands who probably claimed they were descended from the Normans. He was sure that a thousand years from now there would be thousands of people who would be proud to say they were descendants of the people who arrived in Norfolk County 120 or 130 years ago.

Mr. H. F. Gardiner, in seconding the resolution, said he understood that years ago a man had been sentenced to be hanged at Vittoria. The roads then were not as good as now, but the man's friends thought they might secure a reprieve, so a messenger was despatched to Toronto to intercede for him. The day and the hour came for the hanging to take place and the messenger had not yet returned. The sheriff felt that he was bound to carry out the sentence. In the emergency they called upon a clergyman to pray. He prayed and he prayed and at last the messenger returned with a reprieve and the man was allowed to escape with his life.

Mr. George J. Ryerse: "It was a Ryerson who made the prayer. He was a son of Joseph Ryerson. Five boys in that family were preachers. I have seen the story. The length of the prayer has been given as all the way from two hours to all day long."

The meeting was then adjourned.

FRIDAY, JULY 7TH. 1922.

The session to-day, with Brig.-Gen. E. A. Cruikshank in the chair, began at 9.30 a.m.

Mr. H. F. Gardiner submitted the report of the Nominating Committee as follows:—

The Nominating Committee beg to make the following recommendations for the officers to be elected for the year 1922-3:

HONORARY PRESIDENT.—Hon. R. H. Grant, Minister of Education.

PRESIDENT.—Dr. Rowland B. Orr, Provincial Museum, Toronto.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT.—Lt.-Col. A. E. Belcher, Toronto.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT.—Fred Landon, M.A., London, Ont.

TREASURER.—Capt. J. S. Carstairs, B.A., Toronto.

COUNCIL.—George F. Macdonald, Windsor; Senator Alex. McCall, Simcoe;

James Mitchell, Goderich; Mrs. E. M. Carey, Kingston; Mrs. W. Cowling Gullock, Ottawa.

AUDITORS.—W. A. McLean, C.E. and Frank Yeigh.

On motion by H. F. Gardiner, seconded by Mrs. E. J. Thompson, the report was adopted.

The report of the Resolutions Committee was submitted by Mr. Fred Landon who moved the adoption of the first clause, reading as follows:—

That the Ontario Historical Society expresses its cordial approval of the work accomplished by the National Historic Sites and Monuments Board in the erection of the memorial at Port Dover to the Dollier and Galinée expedition of 1669-70, and trusts that, now that a beginning has been made in the too long delayed duty of suitably marking at least some of the more important historic places and events of our Canadian history, the work will be extended with all possible rapidity.

Mr. James Mitchell when seconding the resolution, said: "I want to see the Commission strongly supported. They have a right to every encouragement from the Government. I would like that we should back them up in all possible ways. Think of the number of historic sites in this Province! I am free to say that I cannot find words to express my indignation over the neglect of the historic Fort on the Wye—to think that Fort Ste. Marie should be allowed to remain in such a ruin! It is actually made a dump for rubbish and refuse of all kinds thrown into a corner of it. Mr. Playfair himself told me that a large part of the walls had been carried away by people in the neighborhood who wanted stone. I do trust that the work carried out on Wednesday so very successfully is but a beginning to be followed very rapidly by the marking of other places so that we will be able to say that we really mean what we say of the pride we have had in the past in the building up of this country."

The Chairman, Gen. Cruikshank, said: "The National Sites and Monuments Board is entirely advisory, to assist the Parks Branch of the Department of the Interior by advising them what should be done in the matter of the preservation of historic sites. The appropriation this year from the Dominion Government is \$15,000. The policy of the Advisory Board is not to undertake the construction of any pretentious monument whatever, nor the expenditure of any very large sum of money. When that is undertaken we are distinctly of the opinion that it should be done by special appropriation from Parliament itself. What is contemplated to be done is marking those historic sites so that the public, and more especially the travelling public, may know what the site is, and what events are commemorated by the memorial. We believe that this will, from a commercial point of view, be an advantage to the country, that it will bring tourists into the country, that it will interest them in what they see, that they will talk about it afterward, and that it will induce other tourists to be wide-awake when they pass through the country where the sites are located. We also believe it will accomplish a great work in the quickening of national patriotism.

"A great deal more would have been done before this if we had not been unfortunate in the matter of the letting of the contract for our tablets. A standard form of tablet was adopted so far as the frame was concerned. We believed we should adopt a standard design. We adopted it eighteen months ago and let the contract over a year ago. The contractors fell down. They were unable to execute the design in such an artistic manner as to satisfy the artist who passed upon it. Consequently, there was a great delay and eventually the contract was cancelled and re-let. Inside the next two months we shall have at least twenty-five of these tablets completed and ready to put up.

"The idea is to put them up on a cairn or boulder, say a cairn composed of rubble stone. We think that in the country at large that is more suitable than anything in the form of an artificial monument, but in some cases in the cities we have thought it best to erect the other kind, although they limit the expenditure to \$300.

"The responsibilities of the Board are purely advisory. We have no executive powers whatever. I think the Department of the Interior has made a good beginning by increasing the grant this year from \$10,000 to \$15,000."

Dr. J. H. Coyne said: "With reference to the old Fort at Ste. Marie, it is quite true there is a good deal of dilapidation. Fifty or sixty years ago it was in a fair state of preservation, but for some years the stones were used by neighbors for all purposes. The property is now owned by a gentleman who knows the value of it historically. I saw him last summer. He values it, so that there will be no further dilapidation, I am satisfied. Not only that, but I feel sure that he will have arrangements made so that in some way the property will be preserved intact or restored with the materials at hand. I have no doubt at all but that it will be looked after.

"In regard to the site of it, the Board has been engaged, ever since it was formed almost, in endeavoring to make arrangements with him so that the site might be handed over. He has spoken favorably of it, will visit Ottawa shortly and see Mr. Harkin, the Commissioner, and we are in hopes that something will be done. Meanwhile, the Board has been keeping it under observation ever since it was established, and the moment the site is handed over to the King, the Board will be prepared to go on with something suitable on that site. It is one of the most interesting in Ontario.

"There is another Fort, Ste. Marie II, on Christian Island. The Jesuits put all their possessions on a raft and gradually made their way to Christian Island, and there they built a regular fort constructed on military principles, and that fort was intact until 25 or 30 years ago. Unfortunately that Island belongs to the Indians, and the Indians got the 19th century spirit and decided to have a wharf and took the old fort materials to make a wharf, but there is enough left besides and heaps of stone that could easily be replaced. The Board have taken that over and will restore it as far as they can. The Department of the Interior will restore it upon the advice of the Board.

"These are only two of a very large number of the historic sites that the Board is looking after. Attention has been called from time to time to various sites, and we have to consider the question of getting the title settled. Nothing

can be done to put up a cairn unless the title is in proper hands, which means generally in the hands of the King. Then the Board advises in regard to marking it by cairn, boulder or concrete structure with tablet."

The Chairman said:—"I am absolutely opposed to wasting the people's money in paying extravagant prices for sites. If the people of the locality, or the individual, have not got patriotism enough to donate the small site we ask for, I am not in favor of driving them into a bargain. With the exception of this one site at Ste. Marie on the Wye, which is owned by a millionaire, I do not think we have had a refusal anywhere, even in the Province of Quebec. We have got sites at Three Rivers, Laprairie, Chambly, etc. The Militia Department has handed over a considerable number of sites to the Parks Branch to be taken care of. Chambly has been handed over. It is one of the finest examples of mediæval fort architecture in the country, and the only example outside of Quebec. Fort Wellington at Prescott has been handed over, and I believe that Fort Mississauga and Fort George at Niagara will be handed over. Then they have placed in care of the Parks Branch the monuments already erected at Crysler's Farm and at Chateauguay, which now will be taken care of. When you appeal to the patriotism of the individual in regard to site, you are seldom disappointed."

The resolution was adopted.

The Resolutions Committee further recommended the following:—That as the work of the Ontario Historical Society is educational in its nature, we would suggest that the Society prepare an outline map of Ontario (school size), on which are marked historic sites only, as a means of arousing a greater interest of the rising generations in the early history of our province and country, the same to be placed in the schools and public libraries of the Province.

The Secretary, Mr. A. F. Hunter said:—"In connection with that resolution the Highways Department has a map in preparation to conform to the Provincial system of highways. A good list that I referred to yesterday was prepared for them in connection with that map, and I think it should be done through the Highways Department, but this motion will give us greater strength in having it done." This resolution, on motion by Fred. Landon seconded by Mrs. Thompson, was adopted.

The Resolutions Committee then submitted the following resolution:—That the Society desires to place on record its profound regret at the death, during the past year, of several valued members, whose contributions to its work in the past were outstanding. In the severe losses by death during the year mention should be made of the names of Lieut.-Governor, Hon. Lionel Clarke, Mr. H. L. Morphy, Niagara Falls; Mr. Geo. R. Pattullo, Woodstock; Judge Ermatinger, St. Thomas; Miss Harriet Priddis, London; Mr. Justice Sutherland, Toronto; Mr. Geo. A. Radenhurst, Barrie; Mr. John Pearson Weeks, B.A., Parry Sound. On motion by Mr. Landon, seconded by Mr. J. C. Morden, the resolution was adopted.

Dr. Coyne moved that a special resolution expressing regret at the death of Mr. Pattullo and sympathy with his family be adopted, and this was adopted, Dr. Coyne being instructed to draft the resolution.

The resolution is as follows:

It was moved by Dr. James H. Coyne, seconded by Mrs. E. J. Thompson, and resolved:

That the Ontario Historical Society records with deep regret the death, since its last annual meeting, of George Robson Pattullo, a member of its Council for nearly twenty years, and for three years its President.

The late Mr. Pattullo was a man of remarkable ability, energy and public spirit. A successful journalist, editor and newspaper owner, he recognized in an eminent degree the obligation of every citizen to the community by his never failing devotion to the public interest. From early manhood he was a leader of men, their trusted adviser in many lines of organized effort, always equal to the responsibilities of official positions, which were at the same time the proof and test of his exceptional qualities and their popular appreciation.

In his anticipation of the Fenian Raid of 1866, Mr. Pattullo, while a student at the university, took a course of training at the Toronto Military School, which enabled him to render useful service as an officer at the critical period. His connection with the volunteer force continued until his retirement as Major, and during the World War, and afterwards he gave his valued services freely as Chairman of the Soldiers' Aid Commission. His interest in municipal matters was shown by his work in the Woodstock Town Council, and in its Public School Board, of which he became Chairman.

In his hands, and with the aid of his brother, the late Andrew Pattullo, M.P.P., the *Woodstock Sentinel* achieved a wide reputation and influence, which were recognized by his election in 1884 to the Presidency of the Canadian Press Association. Special attention was given by him as editor to the promotion of the study of local history. He aided in the formation of the Oxford Historical Society and its affiliation with the Ontario Historical Society. In each of these organizations, he was for many years a leading and useful member, and occupied the Presidential chair for years.

In the political field, his ability as an eloquent, forcible and popular speaker and writer, and as an organizer with a special gift for harmonizing warring elements, made him a prominent figure for many years. He was selected by his party as its first Secretary and General Agent. He was chosen Secretary of the Ontario Reform Association in 1878, and reform candidate for North Oxford for the House of Commons in the following year. In the troubles over the Manitoba boundary dispute in 1884, he acted as special commissioner of the Ontario Government with excellent results. His appointment as Registrar of deeds in 1886 was received with general approval, and the duties of his office were efficiently performed by him until his decease.

Mr. Pattullo was a lover of flowers, as visitors to his beautiful home "Burnside" well know. He was a chief promoter of the Woodstock Horticultural Society, of which he became President. His interest in agriculture was recognized by election as President of the North Oxford Agricultural Society. He was the first Secretary and member for some years of the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park Commission.

To sum up the character and services of our deceased member it will be sufficient to state that his fine social qualities, his geniality, tact and kindly disposition, made him many friends, his high character secured him general respect, his ability and achievement brought him honors and preferment, largely unsought, and by his death at a ripe age in the midst of many activities he leaves many who sincerely mourn his departure.

For years a regular attendant and active participant at meetings of the Ontario Historical Society and of its Council, he will be greatly missed by officers and members. We tender to his family this expression of our sorrow and sympathy.

On motion by Mr. Landon, seconded by Col. Belcher, it was resolved unanimously that:

The Ontario Historical Society desires to place on record its appreciation of the great hospitality shown by the citizens of the Town of Simcoe and the Village of Port Dover, and Norfolk County generally, who contributed so much to the success of the annual meeting. To the Norfolk Historical Society, in particular, thanks are due for the completeness of their arrangements for the meeting. The addresses of the Thursday evening meeting gave a survey of the County of the most interesting character. And be it also resolved that a copy of this resolution be furnished to the Mayor of Simcoe, the Reeve of Port Dover, and the Norfolk Historical Society.

Gen. E. A. Cruikshank then vacated the chair and introduced Dr. Rowland B. Orr, the newly elected President, who thanked the Society for the honor they had conferred upon him in electing him President, and he paid a well-deserved tribute to the excellent historical work of the retiring President. He said the Society should encourage local societies to greater efforts.

General Cruikshank read his paper on "The County of Norfolk in the War of 1812."

Mr. H. F. Gardiner, of Hamilton, read a paper entitled "When the *Plain Speaker's* Type was Pied."

Miss Augusta I. G. Gilkison read a paper on "Joseph Brant."

(The above mentioned papers are printed in Vol. XX of the Ontario Historical Society's "Papers and Records.")

Gen. Cruikshank referred to the paper by the Hon. Justice W. R. Riddell on "The Ancaster 'Bloody Assize' of 1814," which will be printed in the Society's next volume, and he paid a tribute to the work of Justice Riddell in Canadian History, who had submitted no less than eleven papers at the meeting of the Royal Society of Canada in 1921, and also eight further papers at the meeting of the same society in 1922, when he was President of the Section of English Literature and History.

On motion by Gen. Cruikshank, seconded by Dr. Coyne, it was resolved that the meeting of the new council, owing to the time for the adjournment having arrived, be held at 2 p.m.

The President, Dr. Rowland B. Orr, thanked the members for their attentive hearing of the papers, and this concluded the annual meeting for 1922.

APPENDIX I

PRESIDENT'S REPORT AND RESPONSE TO ADDRESS OF WELCOME FROM MAYOR
McINTOSH OF THE TOWN OF SIMCOE.

Your Worship, ladies and gentlemen:

It becomes my pleasant privilege as President of this society to thank you for your kindly address of welcome and to express to you the gratification that all the members feel in participating in this, its first official visit to the Town of Simcoe and the County of Norfolk, which has played such a noble and effective part in the development of this great Province of Ontario. It has been fortunate that the society has been enabled at this time to share in the ceremony of unveiling the memorial commemorating such a noteworthy event as the discovery and exploration of the shores of Lake Erie by white men.

Although this is the first official visit of the society to this county, which perhaps may be partly due to the fact that it had not received any former invitation, it cannot be said that it has entirely neglected its history. Two of the most important monographs published by the society in its series of volumes, entitled "Papers and Records," deal directly with it. I refer to Volume II, "The United Empire Loyalist Settlement at Long Point," by Mr. L. H. Tasker, and Volume IV, "Exploration of the Great Lakes, 1669-70," by Dr. J. H. Coyne. To the latter active and honored member of this society and his associates in research, twenty-two years ago, the discovery and identification of the wintering place of Dollier and Galinée is due.

Turning now to the immediate affairs of the society, I am glad to announce that the officers of the society will be able to present a report, which it is hoped, will be regarded as satisfactory. Its membership has been maintained at the high point reached last year, and ought to be increased after the present meeting. The fee for membership is very low and the publications should give ample value to anyone interested in historical subjects. I would appeal to all present to become members so that they may receive the printed records of this meeting, and aid in the work of the society.

The Treasurer's statement will show a larger balance on hand than at any previous period since 1910.

The Government of Ontario has continued the increased grant, appropriated last year, and the Department of Education has printed the annual report and Volume XIX of the "Papers and Records," which is larger than any published since 1914, and nearly equal in size to any previous volume.

The nineteen volumes of this series already published contain no less than two hundred and five separate articles or documents, and altogether make an aggregate of 2,909 printed pages in royal octavo. Three of these volumes are independent monographs of notable merit and importance. Many other articles contain historical information of the highest value, which cannot be found in

print elsewhere. I wish to suggest and advise that the next volume, the twentieth, should be accompanied by a compendious index to the entire series, which I believe would be of essential value to historical workers.

Twenty-five of the papers in the series deal with the parish records of the early churches and the registers of baptisms, marriages, and burials in the townships first settled, during the period between 1793 and 1812. It is much to be desired that this branch of investigation should be carried on for other parts of the province, which have not yet received attention. In this connection I desire to direct your notice to the Parish Register of Kingston, 1785-1811, edited by Professor A. H. Young, of Trinity College, Toronto, and published by the Kingston Historical Society last year. The admirably thorough manner in which this is annotated makes it a model work of its kind.

Another field of research, which has not been worked, may be found in the early municipal records of the townships and also in the registry offices with respect to the first distribution of lands by grant from the Crown, and the effect of large grants to individuals or to absentee owners may have had in delaying the settlement and development of the province.

The correspondence of Lieutenant-Governor Simcoe, and allied documents, respecting his administration of the Government of the Province of Upper Canada, up to the end of the year 1793, has been prepared for the press and is now ready for publication. It will form a volume of approximately four hundred pages.

The warmest thanks of the society are due to the Minister and the Deputy Minister of Education, for their assistance in bearing the entire expense of printing the annual report and the volume of "Papers and Records," which I venture to suggest should be acknowledged by a special resolution.

The library has grown to a greater extent than in any previous year. Its contents are now fully accessible for purposes of research and study, and the most valuable books and records are secured in a fire-proof vault.

E. A. CRUIKSHANK,

President.

SECRETARY'S REPORT, 1921-22.

MEMBERSHIP.

The membership at this date consists of 320 annual, 49 ex-officio, 19 delegate, 6 honorary, 6 corresponding and 2 life—making a total of 402, thirty-two new members having been added.

In the list of deaths for the year are the names of some prominent members, viz:—His Honor Lionel H. Clarke, Lieutenant-Governor; Judge C. O. Erma-tinger, St. Thomas; H. L. Morphy, Niagara Falls; Geo. R. Pattullo, Woodstock; Miss Harriet Priddis, London, Ont.; G. A. Radenhurst, Barrie; Hon. Justice R. F. Sutherland, Toronto, and John Pearson Weeks, B.A., Parry Sound. (Since this was written, the deaths of Alex. Hamilton, M.D., and Capt. John A. Macdonald have occurred).

Mr. Pattullo, who died on April 23rd, had been twice President of the Society, had been a frequent attendant at its meetings for the past twenty years, and always took an active interest in the local and political history of Canada.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

The Treasurer's Statement shows the financial transactions in detail for the year, and a statement in detail of the minor expenses of the office is also herewith attached. The Society's year closes with a balance of \$816.02, after paying for the work of the year, this balance being a larger one than in any former year since 1910. The Society's gratitude for this satisfactory condition is due to the Department of Education, which, as in former years, assisted by printing No. XIX of "Papers and Records," and the annual business report, as well as renewing the additional grant made last year.

PUBLICATIONS.

Owing to some unavoidable delays in printing, the Society's last reports and transactions were not ready for distribution until June, 1922. These, however, contain a larger number of pages than in any year since the one before the war—191 pages in the volume of "Papers and Records" (No. 19), and 58 pages in the Annual Report. No. 19 of "Papers and Records" contained fourteen papers, to the authors of which thanks are cordially tendered, as follows:

George Coventry—A Pioneer Contributor to the History of Ontario.

Public Life and Services of Robert Nichol, a Member of the Legislative Assembly and Quartermaster General of the Militia of Upper Canada. Brigadier-General E. A. Cruikshank.

Humours and Interests of an Historical Building. Miss Janet Carnochan.

When Jefferson Davis Visited Niagara. A. J. Clark.

The Church of England in Augusta Township. The late John Dumbrille.

Gleanings from the Blue Church Burying Ground, Augusta Township. F. J. French.

The Historical Position of the Six Nations. Asa R. Hill.

The Diary of Benjamin Lundy, Written During his Journey Through Upper Canada, January, 1832. (Intro. and Notes by Fred. Landon, M.A.)

Deep Waterways Movements—Their Origin and Progress in Ontario. Jas. Mitchell.

An Old Provincial Newspaper (1838). Hon. Wm. Renwick Riddell, LL.D.

Some References to Negroes in Upper Canada. Hon. Wm. Renwick Riddell, LL.D.

"Was Molly Brant Married?" Hon. Wm. Renwick Riddell, LL.D.

The Rev. Robert Addison and St. Mark's Church. Prof. A. H. Young.

The Rev. Robert Addison—Extracts from his Reports and Journals.

THE LIBRARY.

The accessions for the year of 262 books and 543 pamphlets, exceed those of any former year in number and value, and form a substantial addition to the Library. This increase is due to the improved facilities for the better shelving of books added in the previous year, and to having the use of a fireproof vault. Four-fifths of the books added, or 200 volumes, relate to Canada, and even a larger proportion of the pamphlets. To all those who have made donations to the library, the thanks of the Society are cordially tendered.

AFFILIATED SOCIETIES.

The reports of the affiliated societies show a notable growth in the number of papers read at their meetings, but there appears to be a falling off in the output of their publications, doubtless because of difficulties in printing, and the higher costs of publication.

Respectfully submitted,

A. F. HUNTER,
Secretary.

Office Expenses, 1921-22.

1921			\$ c
June	13	War book—(Resolution of Council, Mar. 12, 1920) ..	1 00
"	30	Postage, June	9 92
July	15	One box envelopes (500) No. 7.....	1 50
"	18	War books (see above)	2 75
"	22	Inscribing resolution of sympathy	3 50
"	30	Postage, July	9 89
Aug.	31	Postage, August	9 65
Sept.	30	Postage, September	9 65
Oct.	4	Glass for door sign	1 43
"	5	One letter file	50
"	6	Door sign, lettered	2 50
"	31	Postage, October	10 85
Nov.	10	One box envelopes (500) No. 7	1 00
"	30	Postage, November	9 41
Dec.	31	Postage, December	9 80

1922		
Jan. 31	Filing Annual Summary, Provincial Secretary	1 00
" 31	Postage, January	9 48
Feb. 28	Postage, February	9 39
Mar. 31	Postage, March	8 39
April 12	Ontario Library Association, membership fee	2 00
" 29	Postage, April	9 56
May 31	Postage, May	9 83
		133 00

EXCHANGES.

Canada.

	Books. Pamphlets.	
Eames, Frank, Toronto	10	
Essex Historical Society	1	
Haight, W. R., Toronto	1	
Historic Landmarks Association, Ottawa		1
Niagara Historical Society		2
Queen's Quarterly, Kingston (Vol. 29 2 nos.)		2
Royal Canadian Institute, Toronto	2	
Royal Society of Canada, Ottawa (Vol. 15, etc.)	1	
Sault Ste. Marie Historical Society	2	
Thunder Bay Historical Society		1
Toronto, University of, Library	1	
Waterloo Historical Society, Kitchener		1
Wentworth Historical Society	1	
Women's Canadian Historical Society of Ottawa	1	4
Worden, J. C., Toronto	81	95
York Pioneers, Toronto		1
	101	107

United States.

	Books. Pamphlets.	
American Historical Association	3	
Boston Public Library		3
Bureau of American Ethnology, Washington	3	
California, University of, Berkeley, Cal. (Vol. 23, etc.)	2	
Congress, Library of, Washington, D.C. (Report, 1921)	1	
Connecticut Historical Society, Hartford, Ct. (Vol. 19)	1	1
Eames, Frank, Toronto	2	
Indiana Magazine of History, Bloomington, Ind. (Vol. 17)	1	
Iowa, Historical Department of, Des Moines, Ia.....		2
Iowa State Historical Society, Iowa City, Ia. (Vol. 19)	1	
Medford Historical Society, Medford, Mass. (Vol. 24)	1	

EXCHANGES—*continued.*

	Books. Pamphlets.	
Michigan Historical Commission, Lansing, Mich.	1	
Minnesota Historical Society, St. Paul, Minn.	1	1
New Hampshire Historical Society		2
New Jersey Historical Society, Newark, N.J. (Vol. 6)	1	
N.Y. Public Library, New York (Vol. 25)	1	
N.Y. State Historical Association, Albany	3	2
N.Y. State Library, Albany	2	
Ohio Archæological and Historical Society, Columbus (Vol. 30) .	1	
Rochester Academy of Science		4
Rhode Island Historical Society (Vol. 14)	1	
Smith College, Northampton, Mass.		2
Texas State Historical Association, Austin, Texas (Vol. 25)	1	
University of N. Dakota, University, N.D.	1	2
Vermont Historical Society, Montpelier, Vt.	15	4
Washington (State) Historical Quarterly, Seattle (Vol. 12)	1	
Western Reserve Historical Society, Cleveland, O.	1	
Wisconsin Historical Society, Madison, Wis.	3	
	48	23

British and Foreign.

	Books.
Kungl. Vit. Historie och Antik. Akademien, Stockholm, Sweden. .	2
Royal Colonial Institute, London, Eng. (Vol. 12)	1
	3

DONATIONS.

Canadian Publications.

	Books. Pamphlets.	
Barber, G. Y., New York city	2	
Canadian Bank of Commerce, Toronto		1
Canadian Bureau of Statistics, Ottawa	1	
Cruikshank, Brig.-Gen. E. A., Ottawa		1
Eames, Frank, Toronto	15	
Fitzgibbon, Mrs., Barrie	25	2
Hamilton, Dr. Alex. (deceased)		1
Hudson's Bay Company, Winnipeg		1
Kaiser, Dr. T. E., Oshawa	1	
Miscellaneous	45	372
Municipal Research, Bureau of, Toronto		5
Ontario Fire Marshal		4
Ontario Government Publication (Dept. of Labour)		1
Orr, Dr. Rowland B., Toronto	9	16

Public Libraries Branch, Education Department, Ontario	1	
Radcliffe, Dr. S. J., Toronto Normal School		1
Squair, Prof. John, Toronto		1
	99	406

United States Publications.

	Books. Pamphlets.	
Laidlaw, Lt.-Col. Geo. E., Victoria Road	4	4
Miscellaneous	4	2
	8	6

British and Foreign Publications.

	Books. Pamphlets.	
Comité de Relations Internationales, Marseilles		1
Laidlaw, Lt.-Col. Geo. E., Victoria Road	3	
Public Record Office, London		1
	3	2

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Society has also received the following:—

GEORGE E. BARNES, TORONTO.—Plan and blueprint of old library room, Normal School Building, Toronto, remodelled 1921-2.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, OTTAWA.—Standard Topographical Map of Canada, (7.89 miles to an inch), sheets 9, 32 and 33, (Nipissing, Harricanaw and Chibougamau districts, respectively).

MRS. FITZGIBBON, BARRIE.—MS. Account Book of the Tollendal Mills, 1837, etc., from the Lally Estate. (See also under Books received).

MISS AUGUSTA I. G. GILKISON, BRANTFORD.—Old deeds, documents, clippings, etc., relating to Captain William Gilkison, of Brantford and Elora, with a collection of military buttons, crests, etc., (mounted on card), and other articles of historic value.

A. C. JOST, HALIFAX, N.S.—Copy of the Sydney (N.S.) *Post* of June 21, 1922, containing his article on "The Hallowell grants in Guysboro and Antigonish counties" relating to Benjamin Hallowell of Prince Edward County, Ontario.

MISCELLANEOUS.—A number of manuscripts of historic value, letters, photographs, etc., from various donors.

DR. ROWLAND B. ORR, PROVINCIAL MUSEUM.—Maps, deeds, and other early documents of historic value, old newspapers, etc.

TREASURER'S REPORT, 1921-2.

It is with pleasure that I present to you a statement of the Society's financial position, this being my sixth report while holding the office. It is gratifying to me, and, I am sure, will be to you. On assuming office I found

that there was a considerable deficit in our finances; but through the very economical, painstaking secretary, Mr. Hunter, the balance in hand at present, although not large, is on the right side of the ledger. In this large, progressive, prosperous and wealthy Province, the amount received from members is not equal to our possibilities and privileges, and the good work accomplished by the Society. In this connection the membership fees should amount to much more money than we receive, not by any advance in price but by a larger substantial increase in the numbers. The work we have done, and have to do, is appreciated by the people, as it is most useful, and highly important to the whole population. We provide them, in our annual publications, with a great deal of information of intrinsic value, at a nominal price, besides supplying essays and addresses from some of our best informed minds, making a permanent source of information, valuable for both pleasure and profit.

Respectfully submitted.

July 6th, 1922.

A. E. BELCHER,

Treasurer.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT, 1921-2.

Receipts.

		\$	c
1921			
June 1	Balance in hand	604	58
" 14	Refund, Niagara Transportation	18	50
July 14	Ontario Government Grants	1,000	00
Nov. 30	Interest on deposits	15	04
1922			
May 31	Interest on deposits	14	01
June 27	Members' fees and sales of publications	258	00
		1,910	13

Expenditures.

		\$	c
1921			
June 14	Transportation, steamer and trolley, Niagara, (see also refund, in receipts)	50	00
" 24	Inscribing address to Miss Carnochan	25	00
" 28	Motor car fare, Niagara Transportation	8	00
Aug. 9	400 letterheads printed	6	18
" 9	500 post cards printed	6	18
" 9	Brant County History, Vol. 2	5	00
" 9	Photo engraving for Vol. XIX	10	96
1922			
May 16	500 manilla envelopes, and printed	9	79
June 22	Postage on publications mailed	40	00

Lectures during the year, with subjects, dates, and names of lecturers:

Secretary on a/c salary	800 00
Office expenses (postage, etc.) (see itemized a/c) ...	133 00
Balance in hand	816 02

1,910 12

Audited and found correct.

(signed) FRANK YEIGH,
 July 3rd, 1922. J. J. MURPHY, *Auditors.*

MUSEUM FUND, 1921-22.

Receipts.

1921									\$	c
June	1	Can. Gov't War Bond, 3rd issue							500	00
"	1	" " " " S. No. H.							50	00
"	1	Balance in bank							56	02
Sept.	8	Interest on above war bond, Coupon No. 9							12	50
Nov.	30	Interest on deposits								90
Dec.	8	Interest on above war bond, Coupon No. 4							1	37
1922										
Mar.	1	" " " " " " " " 10							12	50
May	2	" " " " " " " " 5							1	38
"	31	Interest on deposits							1	14
									635 81	

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1922									\$	c
June	1	Can. Gov't War Bond, 3rd issue							500	00
"	1	" " " " S. No. H.							50	00
"	1	Balance in bank							85	81
									635 81	

Audited and found correct.

FRANK YEIGH,
 July 3rd, 1922. J. J. MURPHY, *Auditors.*

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE TOWN OF SIMCOE, JULY 6TH,
 1922, AT 9 A.M.

Present:—Gen. E. A. Cruikshank, president, in the chair; Dr. Rowland B. Orr, Lt.-Col. A. E. Belcher, Dr. Jas. H. Coyne, Andrew Braid, H. F. Gardiner, W. H. Breithaupt and A. F. Hunter.

The reports prepared by the president, the secretary, and the treasurer, on the work of the Society for the year, were read, and on motion by Mr. Breithaupt, seconded by Mr. Gardiner, they were adopted and passed on to be read before the general meeting of the Society.

Four communications of a general nature were laid before the meeting and were referred to the new Council's sub-committees for further consideration.

The meeting was then adjourned.

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE TOWN OF SIMCOE, JULY 7TH,
1922, AT 2 P.M.

Present:—Dr. Rowland B. Orr, president, in the chair; Mrs. Carey, Mrs. Gullock, Gen. Cruikshank, Dr. Jas. H. Coyne, Col. Belcher, Senator McCall, Jas. Mitchell, Geo. F. Macdonald, H. Frank Cook, and A. F. Hunter.

The appointment of standing sub-committees of the Council for the year was the first business. These sub-committees were appointed as follows:—

FINANCE.—The president, the secretary and the treasurer.

PRINTING AND EDITORIAL WORK.—The president, the secretary, Gen. E. A. Cruikshank, Fred Landon and H. F. Gardiner.

LIBRARY AND PROPERTY.—Prof. Squair, the president, the secretary, the treasurer and Jas Mitchell.

MEMBERSHIP.—The president, the secretary and the treasurer.

SELECTION OF THE TIME, PLACE AND PROGRAMME FOR THE NEXT ANNUAL MEETING.—The president, the secretary and Gen. Cruikshank.

In the matter of the next annual meeting, the secretary read an invitation from numerous prominent citizens of Welland for this Society to meet there, but as it has been understood for the past two years that the annual meeting for 1923 should be held at Kingston concurrently with the celebration of the 250th anniversary of the founding of Fort Frontenac, and pending the receipt of a formal invitation from Kingston in reference to the meeting, it was resolved, on motion by Col. Belcher, seconded by Dr. Coyne, that Gen. Cruikshank should acknowledge the Welland invitation to the citizens of that city who made the request, and explain the circumstances that will prevent the Society from accepting it.

The publication of the Governor Simcoe Correspondence was the next item of business, and the Council received with satisfaction the announcement that Gen. Cruikshank has completed the first volume of the work, and places it gratis, through the Ontario Historical Society, at the service of the people of Ontario. The printing of this important work was considered, and the secretary outlined a plan by which it appeared possible to accomplish this. After some discussion the matter was referred to the Printing Sub-committee for action.

On motion by Mr. Mitchell, seconded by Col. Belcher, it was resolved that the Ontario Historical Society acknowledges with gratitude the assistance it has received during the year from the Department of Education and the Ontario Government, through the Honourable Minister of Education and the Deputy Minister of Education, in furnishing the Society with quarters and accommodation, in printing its annual publications, and in generously aiding its financial resources.

The meeting was then adjourned.

APPENDIX II.

REPORTS OF AFFILIATED SOCIETIES: (Alphabetically Arranged).

BRANT HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (BRANTFORD).

(ORGANIZED MAY 11, 1908.)

During the year eight regular meetings were held. Two papers were presented by the Secretary, "Modern Trends in Science," and "Data regarding the enlargements of historical photos and engravings secured by the Society."

The financial situation delayed the campaigns of the Society for a memorial to the late Hon. Arthur Sturgis Hardy, premier of Ontario, and the memorial to the late Duncan Brothers: Robert Duncan, late of the Mellon Institute and a noted industrial scientist, and Norman Duncan, Canadian author.

The Society secured many valuable donations to the Museum. During the year a collection of enlargements of various drawings, engravings, sites and photos of local historical interest has been secured. A number of assignments of historical tasks have been made. These papers will be presented later.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER FROM MARCH 1, 1921, TO MARCH 1, 1922

RECEIPTS.

	\$	c
Balance on hand	296	36
Ontario Government Grant	100	00
Current membership fees	4	50
Bank interest	13	34
	\$414	20

DISBURSEMENTS.

H. Knudsen, military emblems	5	00
Secretary, for postage, etc.	3	00
A. Golding, repairs to museum	2	80
F. D. Reville, grant toward History of Brant County	100	00
T. Hendry, insurance	3	25
R. W. McGregor for 23 enlargements	9	60
	123	65
Balance on hand	290	55
	\$414	20

We certify we have audited the books of the Treasurer of Brant Historical Society to March 1st, 1922, and the above statement is correct.

Signed,

S. F. PASSMORE, GORDON J. SMITH,
Auditors.

Officers for 1922:

HONORARY PRESIDENTS.—His Honour Lieut.-Gov. H. Cockshutt, His Honour Judge Hardy.

PRESIDENT.—Jas S. Rowe.

VICE-PRESIDENT.—M. J. Keene, M.D., C.M.

SECRETARY.—R. W. E. McFadden, M.A., address, 22 Chatham St., Brantford.

TREASURER.—E. R. Read, B.A., LL.B.

HISTORIAN.—Delbert B. Unger, B.A.

CURATOR.—Reginald Whale.

AUDITORS.—S. F. Passmore, M.A., Major Gordon J. Smith.

HONORARY HISTORIAN.—F. D. Reville.

MUSEUM COMMITTEE.—C. Thomas, John Wallace, Major Gordon J. Smith, Reginald Whale (convener).

PROGRAMME COMMITTEE.—Messrs. Jas. S. Rowe, R. W. E. McFadden, G. H. Muirhead, Reginald Whale, Lloyd Poulton, Miss A. I. G. Gilkison, Rev. G. A. Woodside, M.A., D.D.

ELGIN HISTORICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTE (ST. THOMAS).
(ORGANIZED 1891).

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1921-22.

Eight meetings were held, of which seven were the regular monthly, and one was a special social meeting when the Society recognized its deep obligation to Dr. Coyne for his untiring efforts in promoting its welfare by presenting Mrs. Coyne and him with a couple of beautiful chairs.

Lectures were delivered as follows:

The Pacific Ocean Problem and General Disarmament.

J. A. TAYLOR, B.A., INSPECTOR OF SCHOOLS.

The Influence of the modern Church on World Movements.

A. W. GRAHAM.

Some Modern Masterpieces of Art.

PRINCIPAL DOBSON, ALMA COLLEGE.

Nothing New.

DR. G. A. SHANNON.

A Trip to Alaska.

DR. GEO. T. KENNEDY.

The Origin and History of Totem Poles.

W. H. MURCH.

The Port Dover Memorial 1670-1922.

The meetings were exceptionally well attended. Excellent discussions followed the addresses.

The Treasurer's report is attached as well as the list of Officers for 1922-23. All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. A. TAYLOR,
President.

J. W. STEWART,
Secretary.

Officers for the Year 1922-1923.

HONORARY PRESIDENT.—Jas. H. Coyne, LL.D., F.R.S.C.

PRESIDENT.—A. W. Graham.

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT.—Mrs. J. H. Wilson.

SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT.—Dr. Shannon.

THIRD VICE-PRESIDENT.—Rev. Perry S. Dobson.

SECRETARY.—J. E. Nelson.

TREASURER.—F. C. Holtby.

EDITOR.—W. H. Murch.

CURATOR.—Dr. Leitch.

COUNCILLORS.—K. W. McKay, Mrs. J. S. Robertson, J. A. Taylor, E. R. Webb, Dr. Warner.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

(YEAR ENDING APRIL 30TH, 1922).

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand	\$309 15
Membership fees	21 50
Interest on Deposit	9 58
Interest on Victory Bonds	54 00
	\$394 23

EXPENDITURES.

Advertising (<i>Times-Journal</i>)	\$9 48
Postage	80
Municipal World—100 programme cards	2 50
Rev. P. S. Dobson (Taxi for machine)	1 00
Furniture	11 00
Flowers for the late Judge Ermatinger	8 00
Cash on hand	361 45
	\$394 23

ESSEX HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (WINDSOR).

(ORGANIZED 5TH JANUARY, 1904.)

Report for the year ending May 31st, 1922.

Officers for the Year Beginning 1st January, 1922.

HONORARY PRESIDENT.—Francis Cleary.

PRESIDENT.—A. P. E. Panet.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT.—Fred. Neal.

SECRETARY-TREASURER.—Andrew Braid.

AUDITORS.—Judge George Smith and Mr. Fred. Neal.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—Officers as above with Judge George Smith and Messrs. George F. Macdonald, Alex. Gow and Fred. J. Holton.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand	\$36 16
Members' Fees	64 00
Grants (Prov. Gov't.)	100 00
Miscellaneous	37 93
	238 09

EXPENDITURES.

Printing, "Papers and Addresses"	\$100 00
Postage, Photos, etc.	89 73
	189 73
Balance	48 36
	\$238 09

Number of Members last year, 71. Number of Members this year, 82. Number of Public Meetings held this year, one. Number of Committee Meetings held, two. Number of Books and Pamphlets in Library, 100; number added during the year, 3.

Publication: Papers and Addresses, Volume 3, various authors (150 distributed).

Lectures during the year, with subjects, dates, and names of lecturers:—Clarence M. Burton, Detroit, "John Askin and his Family"; Robert Timms, Windsor, "Reminiscences of old Windsor"; George F. Macdonald, Windsor, "Barracks and Military Camps in Windsor."

ANDREW BRAID,
Secretary.

FRONTENAC AND KINGSTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY (KINGSTON).

(ORGANIZED 27TH OCTOBER, 1893.)

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Report for the Year Ending 1921.

Officers for year beginning Jan., 1922:

HONORARY PRESIDENT.—The Right Rev., the Bishop of Ontario.

PRESIDENT.—Major-General Sir A. C. Macdonell, K.C.B., etc.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT.—Miss Lillian Mowat.

SECRETARY-TREASURER.—Prof. W. R. P. Bridger.

ASSISTANT SEC.—Prof. A. E. Prince.

AUDITOR.—A. N. Lyster.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—The above officers, with Mrs. Carey, Miss Drummond, Miss Gordon, Mrs. Kennedy, Miss Machar, Miss Redden, J. M. Farrell, F. J. Hoag, F. King, A. N. Lyster, J. J. McNeill, O. D. Skelton, Dean Starr, and W. Waldron.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT, 1921.

RECEIPTS.

War Loan Bonds	\$400 00
Bank Balance	346 96
Ontario Government Grants (two)	200 00
Bank Interest	9 40
War Loan Interest	11 00
Subscriptions	116 00
Proceeds of Lecture	13 75
Frontenac Historical Society	51 07
	\$1,148 18

EXPENDITURES.

Dr. A. H. Young (Register of Kingston)	\$200 00
Printing and Stationery	31 21
Advertising	97 02
Postage	12 55
Janitor	10 00
Dean Starr's Expenses (Niagara)	25 00
Prof. Williams' Expenses	25 00
Dr. Parmelee's Expenses	25 00
War Loan Bonds	400 00
Balance in Hand	322 40
	\$1,148 18

Number of Members last year (1920-21), 32. Number of Members this year (1921-1922), 112. Number of Public Meetings held this year, four. Number of Committee Meetings held, two.

1921.

Lectures during the year, with subjects, dates, and names of lecturers:

March 17th. The Royal North West Mounted Police.

MAJOR-GENERAL SIR A. C. MACDONELL.

Nov. 26th. William Pitt.

PROF. BASIL WILLIAMS.

Dec. 15th. Siege of Quebec.

DR. PARMELEE.

1922.

Jan. 27th. Great Lord Salisbury.

DR. J. L. MORISON.

(PROF.) W. R. P. BRIDGER,

Secretary.

GRENVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (PRESCOTT).

(ORGANIZED, 1890.)

Officers for year beginning March, 1922:

HONORARY PRESIDENT.—Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen, M.P. for Grenville.

PRESIDENT.—F. J. French, K.C.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT.—Rev. Canon Patton.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT.—Fred. Stone.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.—Miss Melville.

RECORDING SECRETARY.—W. S. Johnston.

TREASURER.—Walter I. Keeler.

AUDITORS.—Messrs. Stone and Kerfoot.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—F. J. French, Rev. Canon Patton, W. S. Johnston, W. I. Keeler and Fred. Stone.

Number of Members last year, 10; Number of Members this year, 10; Number of Committee Meetings held, three.

Publications Issued, Mr. F. J. French, "The Blue Church Burying Ground." (Ont. Historical Society's "Papers and Records," Vol. 19.)

W. S. JOHNSTON,

Secretary.

HURON INSTITUTE, (COLLINGWOOD).

REPORT FOR 1921-22.

The Huron Institute has passed another very successful year. Interest in it has increased and as a result from a local historical viewpoint many very interesting and valuable additions have been made to the collection. Some especially desirable pictures of Collingwood in its earlier years have been donated, as have been many of more modern times.

The section containing the photographs of public men of Canada is marked by a special feature, namely, that it now contains a picture of every premier of Canada and Ontario since Confederation. The latest addition was made by the present Prime Minister, Hon. William Lyon Mackenzie King, who kindly complied with the request of the Institute for an autographed photograph.

The Institute was also honored by the Governor-General, Lord Byng and Her Excellency, Lady Byng, graciously complying with a request made on the occasion of their visit to Collingwood on April 20th for autographed photographs.

For the younger people this section of the Institute is of very great value, placing before them, as it does, the men prominent in the building of the Canadian political structure.

In other departments the Institute has also been added to, a number of particularly interesting donations having been received. Of these may be mentioned several models of lake steamers, a beautiful coat made by Indians of the far north many years ago and given to a former citizen, the late Thomas Stephen, as a recognition of good will engendered because of good services to them, a handsome Ontario Tankard banner won by the curlers of Collingwood and a masonic apron, painted on silk and worn in the British Colonies before the American Revolution of 1774. Some war material has also been contributed, as has also been a number of coins and medals.

To take proper care of the exhibits many frames, a number of wall cases and one fine glass showcase of the "silent salesman" style have been added to the equipment, the arrangement permitted by these affording the public a fuller view of the collection.

During the year a large number of people visited the Institute and by them approval and appreciation has been expressed. Especially does this apply to "old boys" and "old girls" who have re-visited Collingwood. To them and others the Institute bids a cordial welcome.

In conjunction with the Kirkville branch of the United Farm Women of Ontario two open meetings were held, one addressed by Prof. D. R. Keys, of Toronto, on "World Problems" and the other by Dr. W. E. Pakenham, Dean of the Faculty of Education, Toronto, on "Schools, Past and Present." Both proved interesting.

In accordance with the usual practice, copies of the annual report have been filed with the Ontario Department of Education, the Royal Society of Canada, the Ontario Historical Society and the American Historical Society.

To the Provincial Department of Education acknowledgment is hereby made for the usual annual appropriation.

To the donors of the many acceptable donations and to the public for the genuine interest manifested in its work, the Institute returns its sincerest thanks.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

FRANCES A. REDMOND,
Vice-President.

DAVID WILLIAMS,
Secretary.

Collingwood, May 5th, 1922.

KENT HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (CHATHAM).

(ORGANIZED, 1912.)

Report for the year ending May 31st, 1922.

Officers for year beginning June 1st, 1921:

HONORARY PRESIDENT.—T. K. Holmes, M.D.

PRESIDENT.—W. N. Sexsmith, B.A.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT.—J. H. Smith, M.A.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT.—Mrs. J. P. Dunn.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.—J. W. Mustard, B.A., M.B., F.C., I.C.

CURATOR.—D. R. Farquharson.

TREASURER.—H. Arthur Dean.

AUDITOR.—S. B. Arnold.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—Sheriff J. R. Gemmill, Thomas Scullard, S. B. Arnold, Miss Esther Abram, Miss J. Houston, B.A., W. M. Foreman, and J. A. Walker, K.C.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand October 1st, 1921	\$267 76
Members' Fees	4 00
Grants: Government Grant	100 00
	\$371 76

EXPENDITURES.

Printing	\$ 11 49
Miscellaneous	12 50
Balance in hand, May 31st, 1922	347 77
	\$371 76

Number of Members last year, 88; Number of Members this year, 93; Number of Public Meetings held this year, six; Number of Committee Meetings held, three.

Publications Issued, Vol. V. Papers and Addresses, 325 copies, after much delay came off the press in August, 1921, at cost of \$210.00.

Lectures during the year, with subjects, dates, and names of lecturers:

1921

Nov. 11th. "Rare historical documents," H. Arthur Dean.

Dec. 9th. "Chatham Women's Work in the late War," Miss H. E. McDonell.

1922.

Jany. 13th. "Constitutions of Canada and the United States," Thomas Scullard.

Febry. 10th. "Tilbury East Township," D. R. Farquharson.

March 10th. "Fungi of Kent County," C. C. Bell, M.D.

J. W. MUSTARD, B.A., M.B., F.C., I.C.,

Secretary.

LONDON AND MIDDLESEX HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (LONDON, ONT).

(ORGANIZED, JUNE 26TH, 1901.)

Report for the year ending May, 1922.

Officers for year 1922-23:

HONORARY PRESIDENT.—Henry Macklin, J.P., 106 Kent St.

PRESIDENT.—Dr. John Dearness, 30 Marley Place.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT.—Major T. J. Murphy, K.C., 235 Hyman St.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT.—Miss Macklin, 106 Kent St.

SECRETARY.—Miss Zella Fawkes, 2 Colonial Apts.

TREASURER.—Dr. J. Davis Barnett, 303 Cheapside St.

AUDITOR.—Henry Macklin.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—Fred Landon, M.A., Principal John Dearness, M.A.,
Major T. J. Murphy, K.C., A. Stevenson, B.A., Mrs. Brickenden.

CURATOR.—Dr. S. Woolverton, Grand Ave.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand	\$226 28
Members' Fees	7 00
Grants	100 00
Interest	10 88
	\$344 16

EXPENDITURES.

Printing	\$ 6 85
Postage	14 55
General Expenses	5 00
Miscellaneous	7 80
	\$34 20

Number of Members last year, 32; Number of Members this year, 29;
Number of Public Meetings held this year, five.

Lectures during the year, with subjects, dates and names of lecturers:

"The Evolution of the Locomotive in Canada," Nov. 22nd, 1921, J. D. Barnett,
C.E., LL.D.

"The Iron Industry of London," Jan. 17th, 1922, H. Rennie.

"The Anderson Fugitive Case," Feb. 21st, 1922, Fred Landon, M.A.

"The Present Day Unrest and the Remedy for it," April 17th, 1922, Major
T. J. Murphy, K.C.

ZELLA FAWKES,
Secretary.

LUNDY'S LANE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (NIAGARA FALLS, ONT).
(ORGANIZED, JUNE 23RD, 1887.)

Report for the year 1921-22.

Officers for year beginning May, 1922:

HONORARY PRESIDENT.—Brig.-Gen. E. A. Cruikshank.

PRESIDENT.—R. W. Geary.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT.—Robt. Chisholm.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT.—Rev. Dr. Wallis.

SECRETARY-TREASURER.—J. C. Morden.

AUDITOR.—Miss J. C. Barnett.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—J. H. Jackson, Miss Crysler, Miss Barnett, Mrs.
Birdsall.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

(Year ending October 8th, 1921.)

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand	\$756 85
Members' Fees and Sales	24 83
Grants	200 00
Interest	24 45
	\$1,006 13

EXPENDITURES.

Printing	\$131 05
Postage	11 84
General Expenses	16 50
Balance	346 74
	\$1,006 13

Number of Public Meetings held this year, two. Number of Committee Meetings held, four. Number of books and pamphlets added during the year, 40.

J. C. MORDEN,
Secretary.
242 Lundy's Lane.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

June 23, 1922.

The activities of the Society, during the past year, began with the visit, entertainment, and Meeting of the Ontario Historical Society, our special delegates thereto being Mr. H. L. Morphy, and the Rev. Dr. Wallis.

It is with great regret that the Society records the death of its 1st Vice-President, Mr. H. L. Morphy, who, for many years, had been a most active and enthusiastic officer of the Society.

The general correspondence of the Society has been large, and widely extended over Canada, the United States and England, and many of its publications have been distributed, and sold, during the year.

In January, His Honor the Lieut.-Governor of Ontario, made an official visit to the unveiling of a Soldiers' Memorial Tablet in Drummond Hill Presbyterian Church, and in April, their Excellencies Lord and Lady Byng paid an official visit to the City of Niagara Falls.

The most important local event of the year was the official opening of the Queenston-Chippawa Power Development Canal, by the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, on December 28th, 1921, when representatives from many municipalities throughout the Province attended the exercises. This enormous public undertaking was begun in March, 1918. Its total length is 12¾ miles. At one point the bottom of the canal is 145 feet below the original ground level, the cutting of earth being 80 feet and in rock 65 feet; the total amount of material excavated from the canal is over 17,000,000 cubic yards of earth and rock. At one time 8,100 men were employed in the construction work, and to carry out operations of such magnitude, 82 miles of standard gauge railroad track were laid; 50 locomotives hauled the trains; five of the shovels were the largest ever built, each capable of loading a car, standing 60 feet above the shovel, in 1½ minutes.

The cost of this great work was enormous, but its benefit to the Province will far outweigh all such considerations.

The Society has also received many valuable historical, literary and archaeological publications, and acquired some additions to its collection of manuscripts and relics.

R. W. GEARY,
President.

NIAGARA HISTORICAL SOCIETY (NIAGARA, ONT.).

(ORGANIZED DEC., 1895.)

Report for the year ending Dec., 1921.

Officers for year Oct. 13th, 1921, to Oct. 13th, 1922:

HONORARY PRESIDENT.—Brig.-General E. A. Cruikshank.

PRESIDENT.—Miss J. Carnochan.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT.—Rev. Canon Garrett.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT.—Rev. A. F. McGregor, B.A.

3RD VICE-PRESIDENT.—E. H. Shepherd.

RECORDING SECRETARY.—Mrs. E. Ascher.
 TREASURER.—Mrs. S. D. Manning.
 ASSISTANT TREASURER.—Mrs. C. E. Brown.
 AUDITORS.—Jos. Healy, J. E. Burns.
 CURATOR AND EDITOR.—Miss Carnochan.
 ASSISTANT CURATORS.—Mrs. Bottomley, Mrs. Mussen, Mrs. E. J. Thompson.
 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—Alfred Ball, Mrs. Goff, Mrs. Bottomley, J. M. Mussen, G. Leslie, F. R. Parnell, besides the officers.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand	\$428 39
Members' Fees	145 50
Grants	275 00
Donations	80 00
Sale of pamphlets	33 80
Contribution box	30 25
	\$992 94

EXPENDITURES.

Printing	\$34 91
Postage	34 26
General Expenses	125 00
Repairs	622 95
Miscellaneous	19 10
Balance	156 72
	\$992 94

Number of members last year, 301. Number of members this year, 320. Number of Public Meetings held this year, six. Number of Committee Meetings held, seven. Number of Books and Pamphlets in Library, 980; number added during the year, 55. Publications: Documents of 1812-1814, from Washington by Gen. Cruikshank, F.R.S.C. (450 issued).

Papers during the year, with subjects, dates and names of lecturers.

Dec. 1921. Extracts from "Times of Robert Randall."

May, 1922. Life of John Erskin or Askin.

DR. C. M. BURTON, OF DETROIT.

Extracts from "Additional Electric Energy of Niagara River."

DR. KENNARD THOMSON, NEW YORK.

May, 1922. Additional notes on John Askin.

MISS CARNOCHAN.

JANET CARNOCHAN,
President.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT, 1921-22.

This year has had for us many remarkable events, gains and losses, many visitors, some very exceptional meetings, many new members.

We have printed Number 33, Documents from Washington of the war of 1812-14, by General Cruikshank, and are now printing an account of the Niagara boys who took part in the Great War and had attended the Public or High School. We have material on hand for another pamphlet, should the present enormous price of printing allow.

Among the articles contributed to the museum were two large scrap-books of accounts from the Gonder family, dating from 1795 or earlier; portraits of John C. Ball and his wife, Margaret Frey Ball, also of Charles Secord, only son of Laura Secord; engravings of the first suspension bridge over the Niagara River in 1848, and of Queen Victoria after her first communion at the time of her coronation, 1838; Masonic certificates of Fort-Major Campbell, of Niagara, signed at Halifax, Nova Scotia, in 1792; *Niagara Spectator*, June 11th, 1818; "Settlement of Upper Canada," by Dr. Canniff; genealogy of the Lampman family, also of the Cox family; Statutes of Upper Canada in part from 1774 to 1819; curious heavy meat-cutting machine of early times; forty-three German trophies; Indian pipe bowl and ornamented bead-work bag; copies of letters from Alexander Hamilton, 1813, and Rev. S. Peters, 1824; water-color portrait on curious pedestal, of 1830; U.S. School book, of 1804, and child's Catechism, of 1824.

The papers read were: "John Askin," by Dr. Burton, of Detroit, and additional information by the President. Extracts from paper by Dr. Kennard Thomson, of New York, on "Electrical Energy, (additional) from Niagara Falls"; Extracts from the "Life of Robert Randall."

We have to record the death of several members very much valued by us, Charles Hunter, Colonel Butcher and William Ryan.

Among the groups of children were four groups from Thorold, two from St. Catharines, High School pupils from Toronto, cadets, also Press women from Toronto, Ontario Historical Society, and from the Alumni High School gathering, and many tributes were paid to the value of our collection and our pamphlets.

Letters were received asking for information as to the proper place of a marker of the battle of Fort George, and many others on different subjects.

The great loss of the year was for repairs to the building costing \$600.00; an appeal has been sent out to the members for assistance.

This has been a remarkable year for meetings, first the unveiling in June of the oil painting of the President, by Wyley Grier, presented by the Society, next the meeting of the Ontario Historical Society, which was marred by the tragic death of Mrs. Cruikshank, the wife of the President of the O.H.S. A paper was read by the writer on the "Interests and Humours of an Historical Room," and an illuminated address was presented by the O.H.S. The next meeting was the picnic at Queenston, in August. Another remarkable meeting

in which many of our members took part was the re-union of the Alumni of Niagara High School pupils, the school dating from 1808. The members' fees amounted to \$135.00, contribution box \$50.00, and sale of pamphlets \$31.00.

NORFOLK HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (SIMCOE).

(ORGANIZED, FEBRUARY 19TH, 1900.)

Report for the year ending June 20th, 1922.

Officers for year beginning January 1st, 1922:

HONORARY PRESIDENT.—Hon. Alex. McCall.

PRESIDENT.—H. F. Cook, B.A.

SECRETARY-TREASURER.—H. S. Macpherson.

AUDITORS.—M. M. Smith and D. McCall.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—The above officers with His Honour Judge A. T. Boles, Col. H. B. Donly, Dr. W. A. McIntosh and F. Reid.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand	\$150 88
Members' Fees	18 00
Interest	68 77
	\$237 65

EXPENDITURES.

Postage	\$ 2 00
Miscellaneous	15 45
	\$17 45

Number of Members last year, 33; Number of Members this year, 41; Number of Public Meetings held this year, one; Number of Committee Meetings held, six.

H. S. MACPHERSON,
Secretary.

SAULT STE. MARIE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (SAULT STE. MARIE, ONT.).

(ORGANIZED, 1920.)

Report for the year ending September 20th, 1921.

HONORARY PRESIDENT.—His Honour Judge Stone.

PRESIDENT.—J. W. Le B. Ross.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT.—J. T. Mackay.

EDITOR.—E. Ross Mackay.

SECRETARY.—T. E. Carmichael.

TREASURER.—J. Hayer Jenkinson.

CURATOR.—Miss Dorothy Carlisle.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—L. A. Green, B.A., Jas. Bassingthwaighte, A. D. McNabb, F. J. Faulkner, W. J. Thompson and J. E. Irving.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Members' Fees	\$44 00
	\$44 00

EXPENDITURES.

Printing	\$2 60
Postage	2 00
General Expenses	3 65
	\$8 25

Number of Members, 23; Number of Public Meetings held this year, five; Number of Committee Meetings held, two; Number of Books and Pamphlets added in Library, 63; Publication, Vol. I, of "Papers and Records" has been issued.

Lectures during the year, with subjects, dates, and names of lecturers:

October 20th, 1920, "The Place of Sault Ste. Marie in History," by His Honour Judge Stone.

November 25th, 1920, "The Pageant of St. Lussou," by Mr. T. E. Carmichael.

February 18th, 1921, "Transportation in the Early Days," by J. W. Le B. Ross.

May 5th, 1921, "Reminiscences of Sault Ste. Marie, as told by a Pioneer," by James Bassingthwaighte.

T. E. CARMICHAEL,
Secretary.

THUNDER BAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (FORT WILLIAM). (ORGANIZED, 1909.)

Report for the year 1920-21.

Officers for year beginning October, 1921:

HONORARY PRESIDENT.—Sir Geo. E. Foster.

PRESIDENT.—Peter McKellar.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT.—Mr. A. L. Russell.

SECRETARY-TREASURER.—M. J. L. Black.

AUDITORS.—Mesdames G. A. Graham and F. C. Perry.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—Miss Stafford, Mrs. Jno. King, Mr. F. C. Perry and Dr. E. B. Oliver.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand	\$ 15 07
Members' Fees	17 50
Grants	100 00
Miscellaneous	16 35
	\$150 42

EXPENDITURES.

Printing	\$134 23
Miscellaneous	16 19
	\$150 42

Number of Members this year, 22; Number of Public Meetings held this year, six.

Lectures during the year, with subjects, dates, and names of lecturers:

February 11th and March 4th, Papers read by Major Hamilton, "An Historic Fort," and "Loyal Indian."

May 27th, "Framework of the Earth," Mr. McKellar.

M. J. L. BLACK,
Secretary.

WATERLOO HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (KITCHENER).

(ORGANIZED, NOVEMBER 13TH, 1912.)

Report for the year ending December 31st, 1921.

Officers for year beginning January 1st, 1922:

PRESIDENT.—W. H. Breithaupt.

VICE-PRESIDENT.—Rev. J. E. Lynn.

SECRETARY-TREASURER.—P. Fisher.

LOCAL VICE-PRESIDENTS.—Waterloo, C. A. Boehm; Galt, J. E. Kerr; St. Jacobs, E. Richmond; Hespeler, D. N. Panabaker; New Hamburg, A. R. G. Smith.

COUNCIL.—W. J. Motz, J. N. McKendrick, Rev. A. L. Zinger, B. E. Bechtel, Miss L. M. Bruce.

AUDITORS.—W. J. Motz and C. E. Cornell.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand January 1st, 1921	\$120 85
Members' Fees	69 50
Grants	230 00
Sales of reports	2 95
	\$423 30

EXPENDITURES.

Ninth Annual Report	\$136 00
Printing and Binding	95 64
Postage and stationery	19 82
General Expenses	88 87
Balance on hand	82 97
	\$423 30

Number of Members last year, 81; Number of Members this year, 109; Number of Public Meetings held this year, one; Number of Committee Meetings held, two; Number of Books and Pamphlets in Library, 225; Publications Issued, Ninth Annual Report, (550 copies.)

P. FISHER,
Secretary.

The ninth annual meeting of the Society was held in the Museum in the Public Library, Kitchener, on November 18th at 8.00 p.m. There was a good attendance of members and others interested in the work of the Society.

The President, Mr. W. H. Breithaupt, occupied the Chair.

In his review of the year's work, the President expressed his satisfaction at the increased interest shown by the general public in the Society's efforts. His paper, dealing with the Newspaper History of Waterloo County, was a thorough and comprehensive study of the subject.

Dr. Rowland B. Orr, Director of the Provincial Museum, Toronto, addressed the meeting on "Prehistoric Races of Waterloo County and Western Ontario."

Mayor D. N. Panabaker, of Hespeler, read an historical sketch of the Clemens Family, Waterloo County pioneers of 1800.

Valuable contributions to the annual report were prepared by Dr. Otto Klotz, Ottawa, on Preston as it was sixty years ago; and a sketch by Mr. E. Richmond, St. Jacobs, of the life and work of our esteemed co-worker, the late Mr. E. W. B. Snider, a prominent citizen of Waterloo County.

Rev. Theo. Spetz, Vice-President of the Society since its organization, has passed away after a long life of effort as a priest of the Roman Catholic Church in this County.

The collection in the Museum continues to attract interested visitors. The general public is invited to avail itself of whatever our collection contains of value for reference purposes.

WENTWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (HAMILTON).

(ORGANIZED, JANUARY, 1889.)

Report for the year ending June 6th, 1922.

Officers for year beginning June 6th, 1922:

HONORARY PRESIDENT.—Adam Brown.

PRESIDENT.—Herbert F. Gardiner.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT.—Justus A. Griffin.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT.—Mrs. M. Henderson.

SECRETARY-TREASURER.—L. James Jolly.

AUDITOR.—C. S. Scott.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—Rev. P. L. Spencer, Kirwan Martin, Richard Butler, Chas. E. Bull, Thos. B. McQueston, John Plant, N. Leslie, W. F. Moore, Col. W. R. Turnbull, J. H. Land, J. Wallace.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand	\$442 94
Members' Fees	15 00
Grants	200 00
Sale of pamphlets	75
	\$658 69

EXPENDITURES.

Rentals	\$ 9 00
Printing	10 50
Postage	12 94
General Expenses	67 50
Miscellaneous	50 00
	\$149 94

Number of Members last year, 79; Number of Members this year, 87; Number of Public Meetings held this year, six; Number of Committee Meetings held, two; Number of Books and Pamphlets in Library, 713; number added during the year, 15; Publication Issued, History of Wentworth County, by the late J. H. Smith. (400 copies.)

Lectures during the year, with subjects, dates, and names of lecturers:

Waterdown Mechanic Institute, J. A. Griffin, January 9th, 1922.

Early History of Waterdown, (by late R. Sparks), J. H. Land, February 13th.

Governor John Graves Simcoe, Prof. A. H. Young, March 13th.

Hon. Richard Cartwright, J. A. Griffin, April 10th.

Prehistoric Hamilton, J. Wallace, May 15th.

Hamilton's Stone Age, H. F. Gardiner, June 6th.

J. H. LAND,
Secretary.

WOMEN'S CANADIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF OTTAWA.

(ORGANIZED, 1899.)

Report for the year ending March 29th, 1922.

Officers for year beginning March 30th, 1922.

HONORARY PRESIDENTS.—Lady Borden and Mrs. Arthur Meighen.

PRESIDENT.—Mrs. E. J. Ashton.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT.—Mme. S. Lelievre.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT.—Mrs. Walter Armstrong.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.—Mrs. A. T. Bond, 27 Broadway Ave.

RECORDING SECRETARY.—Mrs. W. C. Gullock, 113 Cooper St.

TREASURER.—Mrs. A. F. Bishop, 44 Park Ave.

AUDITOR.—Mr. W. M. Dunlop.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—Mesdames Lynch, Fraser, Brown, Stanton, Dunlop, Roy, Saunders, McLean, Fauvel, Stratton.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand	\$272 51
Members' Fees	38 00
Grants	300 00
	\$610 51

EXPENDITURES.

Printing	\$151 48
Postage	10 53
	\$162 01

Number of Members this year, 66 (paid up); Number of Public Meetings held this year, seven; Number of Committee Meetings held, nine; Number of Books and Pamphlets in Library, 95 bound.

Publications and papers, 510 Issued: Annual Report, 1921-2, and Transactions, Vol. VIII.

Lectures during the year, two lectures, four Papers: October 14th, November 1st, December 9th, January 13th, February 10th, March 10th.

MRS. A. T. BOND,

Hon. Cor. Secretary.

The Society has printed in full their Twenty-third Annual Report, from which extracts are here reproduced:—

In reviewing the work of the past year, we find that seven general and nine executive meetings were held.

The Bytown Museum has had a most successful season, 1,114 visitors registered—the largest number on record. Many valuable and interesting historical articles have been received since the last Annual Meeting. Details of these with names of contributors will be found in the next printed report. Great credit is due to Mme. Fauvel, Curator, and her assistants for the continued and increasing enthusiasm for this phase of the Society's work. The Executive gave tangible evidence of its appreciation of Mme. Fauvel's indefatigable devotion to the oversight of the Museum by presenting her with a hand-bag, at the general meeting on December 11th. It is still the hope of the Society that

since the Museum is an educative agency, and should be available to students and visitors during school terms, and the Session of Parliament, some means may be provided whereby the Museum can be kept open during the whole year.

A new feature of the programme this season has been the study of Canadian History through ten-minute talks at general meetings; these were: History of Hudson's Bay Company, Miss Eva Read; Initiation and Completion of the C.P.R., Mrs. D. H. McLean; Chapter of Customs History Relating to Removal of Customs Port from St. John's, Quebec, to Rouse's Point, Mrs. Gullock, and an account of Canada First Movements of 1867 and 1874, Mrs. J. L. McDougall. Valuable historical papers have been given before the Society. On October 14th, Mr. H. P. Hill, K.C., M.L.A., presented "Bytown's First Election in 1841," and on December 11th, "Bytown as it was in 1837," was read by Mrs. A. E. Heney. At the meeting held on November 11th, Mr. J. Jones Bell gave an account of "The Red River Expedition, 1870." Col. Starnes delivered an address on "The Origin, Formation, and Subsequent Activities of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police," at the meeting held on January 20th, 1922. On February 10th, Mrs. T. P. Foran read a paper on "The Life of Sir Wm. Johnson." Mme. J. E. Roy presented a unique account of the "Founder of Toronto," on March 10th, and at the Annual Meeting, March 20th, 1921, Mr. Ernest Green gave a valuable paper on "Suggestions for Summer Work."

Volume VIII of Transactions, which consists of papers on Bytown, edited by Mrs. Walter Armstrong and Members of the Printing Committee, has been published and distributed.

Mrs. D. H. McLean, as President, was appointed to represent the Society at meetings of the Community Hall Association.

The Rec. Secretary was appointed accredited delegate to the Annual Meeting of the Ontario Historical Society held at Niagara-on-the-Lake in June, 1921. She presented a report of proceedings at the general meeting on October 14th, which report will be found in the printed Annual Report.

The Rec. Secretary also sent a report of last year's work to the Royal Society of Canada.

Although unable to take charge of a stall at the "Fair of All Good Neighbors" held on January 14th, at Government House, this Society undertook the sale of 25 tickets.

The annual grant has been received from the Ontario Government for the purpose of printing reports and transactions.

A copy of the following resolution re Armistice Day has been sent to the Dominion Government, and to all Historical Societies throughout the Dominion, these being asked to co-operate in the matter:

Resolved: That in the opinion of this Society, the eleventh day of November in each and every year, throughout Canada—being the day in 1918, on which the Great War was triumphantly concluded by an Armistice—should be a legal holiday, and be kept and observed as such, under the name of Armistice Day; and

Be it further resolved: That in order to give effect to the fore-

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going, our Cor. Secretary be instructed to make a communication to the Hon. Mackenzie King, Prime Minister of Canada, enclosing a copy of this Resolution and more particularly bringing under his notice the desirability of setting apart a distinctive day, in commemoration of this event in our country's history, and asking that legislation be introduced in the next ensuing session of Parliament to amend Act 1-2 Geo. V, Chap. 15, passed on the 4th day of June, 1921, being an Act entered as the Armistice Day Act, by striking out from the second and third lines of the second section of the said Act, the words "Monday in the week in which the eleventh day of November shall occur," and substitute therefor the words "eleventh day of November."

The section as proposed to be amended will read as follows:

"Throughout Canada in each and every year, the eleventh day of November—being the day in 1918 on which the Great War was triumphantly concluded by an Armistice—shall be a legal holiday and shall be kept and observed as such under the name of Armistice Day."

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. GULLOCK,
Honorary Rec. Secretary.

WOMEN'S WENTWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (HAMILTON).

(ORGANIZED, 1899.)

Report for the year ending June, 1922.

Officers for year beginning June, 1922:

HONORARY PRESIDENTS.—The Lady Byng of Vimy; Lady Hendrie.

PRESIDENT.—Mrs. Lynch-Staunton.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT.—Lady Gibson.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT.—Mrs. Wood Brown; 3rd, Mrs. W. E. Phin; 4th, Miss Gibson; 5th, Mrs. Paul Myler; 6th, Mrs. Denne.

SECRETARY.—Mrs. Bertie Smith.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY.—Mrs. Onderdonk.

TREASURER.—Miss Frances Barker.

AUDITOR.—Mr. G. Faulknor Smith.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—The Officers of the Society and the conveners of special committees, viz.:—House, Mrs. H. Carpenter; Interior furnishings and relics, Miss Mary Edwards.

Number of Members this year, 200.

Lectures during the year, with subjects, dates, and names of lecturers:

April 29th, Fez and Morocco, Senator Lynch-Staunton—An account of a recent visit.

BERTIE E. D. SMITH,
Secretary.

YORK PIONEER AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY, (TORONTO).

(ORGANIZED, 1869.)

Report for the year 1921.

Officers for year beginning January, 1922:

HONORARY PRESIDENT.—Edward Galley.

PRESIDENT.—Jas. L. Hughes, LL.D.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT.—Joshua C. Moor.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT.—R. W. Doan.

3RD VICE-PRESIDENT.—Fred. C. Jarvis.

4TH VICE-PRESIDENT.—Geo. J. St. Leger.

5TH VICE-PRESIDENT.—H. D. Ramsden.

EDITOR.—Thos. Rennie.

HISTORIAN.—E. S. Caswell.

SECRETARY.—N. F. Caswell.

TREASURER.—Jos. B. Watson.

AUDITOR.—James P. Langley.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.—Wm. C. Grubbe, chairman; Hon. E. J. Davis, James A. Wales, Mrs. O. B. Sheppard, Chas. W. Nash, David James, A. W. Carrick, and the officers of the Society.

The Fifty-third Annual Report of the Society (for 1921) has been printed and contains full particulars of the Society's work.

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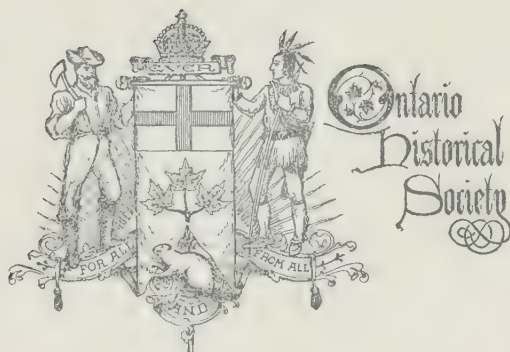
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ANNUAL MEETING, 1923.

The opening session was held in Queen's Convocation Hall, at 8 p.m., on July 4th. The President, Dr. R. B. Orr, in opening the meeting, said: "The Kingston Historical Society, the Ontario Historical Society, greet you and wish you an intellectual treat. We will try to supply you with a programme which we hope will be appreciated by all. The meeting of the Historical Society is being held in this ancient and honoured city for the purpose of celebrating the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of its founding; and, probably next to Quebec, it has the most interesting record of all the cities of old French Canada.

"The city was founded by René Robert Cavalier, better known by the designation, La Salle. He is the one man to whom Kingston may do honour. Kingston was to be the first of a series of forts followed by—first, one at the mouth of the Niagara River; then, at Detroit; then, at Chicago; and then, a series of forts down the Mississippi River to the Gulf of Mexico. By so doing he would control the fur trade of the west, thus laying the foundation of a great French Empire. Not having the support of the Government of France, or of his Jesuit friends in Canada, he was left to forge his own way, and eventually died in Texas, or farther west."

General Sir Archibald Macdonell said: "Dr. Orr, Ladies and Gentlemen: This is a surprise indeed. I did not understand that I was on the programme for this evening, but it gives me the opportunity to welcome the Historical Society of Ontario to the old Limestone City. I think you will probably feel already that you are heartily welcome here. I am astonished to find that my old friend, General Cruikshank, did not know Kingston. If he did not know it, I think there may be a great number of others who do not know Kingston. I think after Judge Lavell has given his address you will know a great deal more about Kingston in a more favourable way. It is not for me to borrow any of the Judge's thunder. When you look out in the morning towards Cedar Island, try and picture in your mind Frontenac's flotilla coming around Cedar Island with the great Frontenac in the centre, two hundred and fifty years ago. A man might have been born in Cataraqui and been eighty-six years of age when the Battle of the Plains of Abraham took place. That gives you some idea of the antiquity of old Kingston. When you go to Tête du Pont Barracks, remember that this has been a place for soldiers since 1673. I know now that soldiers are all wrong and all that, but nevertheless they have existed for a good long time, and in particular have they existed in Kingston for a very long time, in fact, since 1673.

"I am not going to take up your time any longer, but simply desire to say that we want you to consider that the Kingston Historical Society is absolutely at your beck and call. If there is anything we can do to make your visit more

pleasant, to help you to find your way about, please consider yourselves at the table where you have got to ask to get the food passed to you. We do not quite know you all yet, and do not know your individual needs. To-morrow afternoon I will have the very great pleasure and honour of taking you around the Royal Military College. The professors are very keen to see you and help you, and anything about town, the Historical Society, of which I have the honour to be the president, will be only too glad to help you in any way we possibly can. If we have not the information we will be very glad to send you where you can get the information."

JUDGE LAVELL'S ADDRESS

Judge H. A. Lavell, of Kingston, then spoke on the history of Kingston. He said:

It is quite true, as the chairman says, that I was not asked until two o'clock to-day to speak to you to-night. At two o'clock I received a long distance message from Kingston—I was then in Napance—and if you know Sir Archibald Macdonell you will realize that he is a very difficult man to resist. Otherwise I would never have had the nerve to appear before you.

Well, I have not the information that Mr. Nickle could have put at your disposal to-night; and while I may not put it to you in the effective, bright way in which he could, nevertheless there are a certain few things which I can tell you about Kingston which will be perhaps of some interest. I want to make this proviso: I have always been awfully weak on dates, but if I am only a year or two out, I hope you will just submit with what resignation you can. I heard of a congregation which was expecting to be addressed by a minister on a certain Sunday, and the congregation waited and the "supply" did not come. In due season one of the elders came forward and said: "As the expected 'supply' has not arrived, we will all rise and sing, 'Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow.' " I hope to-night that after hearing this brief address that I am going to give you, that you will not feel that you would have liked to have accepted that alternative.

To get down to Kingston's early days. The first historical event of any very great interest around Kingston is prior to Frontenac's time, prior to LaSalle's time. When Champlain was returning from the south shore of Lake Ontario in 1615, he crossed over to this part of Ontario and went up the great Cataraqui River. He did not so describe it, of course, because it was not named then. He went up about a distance of twelve leagues; then he left that river by portage into another lake and there he was lost for three days wandering about without any protection in the fall of the year, and without knowing where he was, without having any food. He wandered away because he got interested in a certain bird, and he could not find his way back. Providentially he was able to rejoin his companions and get away safely. This is the first interesting event associating this part of the country with Europe; at any rate, it is the first I know about.

Reference has already been made to the landing here of Frontenac and La Salle in 1673, 250 years almost to the exact day. It has been spoken of as the

12th of July. If so that is one reason which has made that day so celebrated (laughter).

Having landed on that occasion, I suppose not very far from where our City Building now stands, and while engaging with the Indians in a pow-wow, La Salle and his engineers undertook the building of a fort which was on the site of the Tête du Pont Barracks. The first fort was entirely of wood. Later, I think, in 1689, after Frontenac had been recalled to France, having got into trouble with his superiors, and his authority having been undermined for the time being at least, that fort was razed by the French and Frontenac got back in 1689, just too late to prevent it. He hurried up here, but too late. During that interval a disgraceful event occurred, when certain Indians were lured into the fort and taken prisoners and sent to France. That had a very bad effect upon the relation between the Indians and the French here. That fort was destroyed and again rebuilt, a more substantial structure with stone towers. That fort—one of the towers at any rate—was located where Ontario Street is now. I remember a few years ago looking where some men were digging a sewer on that street, and they came across the foundation and some old cannon balls. It was rather interesting seeing them come from that old foundation. That fort remained standing until taken by the British under Bradstreet in August, 1758. The army which took the fort comprised 3,000 British, while there were only about 160 people inside, so that it is not surprising that the capture was made without losing a man. Then the fort was destroyed. It was of interest chiefly because it was La Salle's headquarters during a period of years in which he was very active in his expeditions west towards the Mississippi, and those of you who have read the story of La Salle by Parkman, cannot help but be amazed at the courage and persistence which he showed in those expeditions. One one occasion he walked all the way from near Chicago back to Fort Frontenac, after having come to grief there. That shows the type of a man he was. If La Salle had had his way, he would have founded a greater empire than the British were able to do at the time, for the latter did not appreciate the importance of Canada. It was not until some time later that they appreciated what Canada meant to the French Empire.

In the period following, the next interesting event was when at Kingston Mills, was erected the first mill not only in this neighbourhood, but in all Ontario. Kingston Mills is six miles up the great Cataraqui River, on the Rideau Canal system—a very beautiful spot. That mill was established in 1784, built by Robert Clark. This was the only mill in Ontario until one was built next year by the same man at Napanee. In the course of my journeying I have to go once a year to a place called Denbigh, a very remote spot because I have to travel by car forty-five miles from the nearest station. I had an interesting conversation with a man who settled there very many years ago, and who told me that he distinctly recollected his father throwing a sack of grain over his shoulders and walking eighty-five miles to Napanee, to get it ground, and walking all the way back. Prior to that time they had to come to Kingston. That mill has long since gone. I have a recollection of an old stone building standing there before the present plant was built.

The Navy Yard was established in 1789. The Navy Yard, as many of the Kingston people know, was established on the point now occupied by the Royal Military College, and was the only navy yard in Ontario at that time. It was there that were built the warships used during the war of 1812-15, and after that date until the Treaty with the United States prohibited the use of warships on the lakes. The interesting thing about it is that one of those buildings is still standing, and Sir Archibald will probably show it to you to-morrow. It is used now, I think, as one of the cadets' dormitories. It was built to house the men working in the shipyards. I am not sure but I think that is the only relic of that old navy yard over there, except the stump to which ships were attached to haul them up out of the water. There is another interesting thing about it: the bell that was used to call those men to work and to meals was the bell that had been captured by the British in Spain in the Peninsular War, and was afterwards handed over to St. Mark's Church in Barriefield, and that is the bell which now calls the people of that church to worship.

The next interesting event was Governor Simcoe's arrival. He came here in 1792—the first Governor of Upper Canada. Now we speak of Kingston as being the first capital of Upper Canada, and in a sense it was. If it was not the first capital, it was for the first few weeks the first seat of Government. Governor Simcoe came in June of that year, was sworn in in St. George's Cathedral, at that time located on the site of the present building of the Kingston "Whig," where a tablet commemorating that fact is to be unveiled to-morrow. Governor Simcoe was sworn in there and made Kingston his headquarters for a few weeks until he determined upon fixing upon Newark or Niagara as the capital of Upper Canada.

The little house where he and his Executive Council met is still standing, as many of you know, on Queen Street next to St. Paul's Church. It has often been wrongly referred to as the Parliament House. It was not the Parliament House. No Parliament ever met within its walls. Where it now stands it is two or three feet below the level of the street. It was only one and a half storeys high. It was situated originally farther down the street and in the centre of the street. Queen Street was then called Grave Street, named after St. Paul's graveyard. This particular house stood near Bagot Street, and was afterwards moved to the present site. Governor Simcoe met his Executive Council in that little place until he determined to move to Newark where the first Parliament was called, not here at Kingston.

During the war of 1812-15 interesting things happened, but nothing of very great importance. One expedition set out from here to Sackett's Harbour and ingloriously turned tail and came home again.

I should have referred to these forts before now. After the British took possession of this city, somewhere around 1780, a series of eight forts was built around the city—rather block-houses than forts. One of them was where the Collingwood Shipbuilding Drydock is now; another was where Dr. Third's residence is now; still another was built—and many of you will remember it—on Sydenham Street North. It was pulled down only a few years ago, and it is unfortunate that happened. There were other block-houses, palisades connecting them, around the city. North Street was the northerly limit of the city, West

Street the westerly limit, and, I think, Sydenham Street was the other limit—a very small city indeed. During the war of 1812, also, one of the United States ships came into the harbour and was fired on by the fort, then located where the drydock is now. That was all there was about it; it turned tail and went away. They were ready for it apparently. There was a battery where Fort Henry is now. I have seen at the Martello Tower on Point Frederick, a portable furnace used to heat the shot red hot that was intended for these boats. Whether they had got near enough in 1812 I am not sure.

In 1827—coming along to more modern days—the Cataraqui Bridge was built. You remember the bridge; many of us learned to swim under it, and really for that period it was a wonderful engineering feat. Prior to that time there was a floating bridge, which was the only way to cross to Barriefield. This continued for nearly ninety years before it was replaced by the present causeway. One year before Cataraqui Bridge was built, an interesting event occurred; that is, the beginning of the Rideau Canal, connecting Kingston with Ottawa. I am not sure when they got to work on the locks near Kingston, but that is when the project was set on foot. Those who go to Kingston Mills will see the original block-house intended for the protection of the workmen engaged in that wonderful engineering work.

When you are visiting the Military College you will look across the bay and see Fort Henry. That was built in 1835, as near as I can find out, and about the same time were built these various Martello Towers you see about the city. One interesting thing about the towers is that on some of them there was engaged as a stone mason a man who afterwards became Premier of Canada, Alexander Mackenzie, who worked on at least two of them, as well as on the fort.

The year 1841 was an interesting date, historically, with reference to Kingston. That was when Lord Sydenham came, and Kingston became the Capital of United Canada—that is, Upper and Lower Canada united. It remained the Capital for some years. When Sydenham came here he lived first of all in a three-storey stone house now owned by the Collingwood Shipbuilding Company. Afterwards he lived out on King Street West, and it was there that he died a very short time afterwards. The first Parliament of Canada met in the Kingston General Hospital, the building right opposite these grounds—in the main building. Some of the representatives from the province were not able to get accommodation—apparently it was not much easier then than now to look after visitors to the city—and some were housed in what is now Principal Taylor's residence. Those who did not get accommodation near by were looked after elsewhere. Parliament met in that building until Kingston ceased to be the Capital of Canada.

It was about this time that Charles Dickens came to this country, and I was interested in reading what he said. He wrote: "Kingston is a very poor town." They had had a big fire, "which laid waste a large part of the city," he said, and "It looked as if half the city had been burnt down and the other half had not been built up." He called attention to the bomb-proof fort and the gaol. He said the most important building in the city proper was the Government House, and he did not think much of it.

About that time, 1840, a very interesting event occurred. The charter of Queen's University was granted and classes began in 1841, in a building still standing on Colborne Street. Sometime in the forties the City Hall was built. You will be in that building and see what an interesting building it is. When it was first built it was too big for the town, so they used a good part of it for saloons and butcher shops and stores, and that continued for quite a number of years. Some people here may recall that part of it was used for stores. The Court House was built in 1855. It was burned thirty years afterwards. While the interior was absolutely gutted it was restored very much on the plan of the original building, and I think there are very few counties that have as beautiful buildings as our county has, and the Court House is worth a visit. The huge pillars which adorn the main entrance are the only part of it which are not of Frontenac limestone. These stones were brought from across the river in New York State. In all these years they have not cracked at all. During the fire the chief gave orders not to throw water upon the walls, hence they were not injured, and did not have to be renewed in rebuilding.

I suppose I come to more modern days when I come to 1876. That was when the Royal Military College was opened. That was done during the régime of Hon. Alexander Mackenzie, and I do not think even the rankest Tory would have any criticism to make as to that action of the Mackenzie Government. They even give all kinds of credit to that Government for having done that. Further, it has been a wonderful credit to Kingston and to Canada, and when you visit it to-morrow you will be very much struck with the splendid equipment they have there.

Having got up to 1876, I think everything that has happened since can be counted as modern, and I will not attempt to speak of it. You will understand that, in the very short time I had to think of this speech, I have not recalled a great many interesting things about Kingston that afterwards I am sure I will wish I had mentioned. I cannot speak of the great men of the town. There are many of them and I fear I might forget to mention some of them. Kingston is rich in its traditions, rich in its association, and rich in its people. There are some people unkind enough to say that Kingston has had a past, and that is all it will have, but we do not pay attention to them. Some may be quite content to rest upon the laurels already won for us by the great men who have preceded us, but their example should be an inspiration and a stimulus to those of us who follow.

General E. A. Cruikshank said: "Mr. Chairman, ladies and gentlemen,—My good friend, Sir Archibald Macdonell, has already told you of the confession of ignorance that I was obliged to make with regard to Kingston. That means I have all the more pleasure ahead. I am looking forward to our tour to-morrow around the fortification and around the Royal Military College under the leadership of that grand old gentleman who is an honour not only to Kingston, but to Canada.

Sir Archibald Macdonell: "Old! Keep that to yourself" (laughter).

General Cruikshank: "I have prepared a short paper not entirely about Kingston, but upon a journey from Montreal to Kingston in 1791. That was

before the organization of what was called 'The Upper Country' into the Province of Upper Canada. It is a transcript from a rather rare volume which bears the formidable title, 'Travels in the Interior Inhabited Parts of North America, 1791-2, in which is given an account of the manners and customs of the Indians, of the present war between them and the Federal States, etc.'"

(General Cruikshank's paper is printed in full in Vol. 21 of the Society's "Papers and Records.")

Dr. George H. Locke, of Toronto, said:

Mr. Chairman, I will not read a paper to-night; I will talk to you for five minutes. I was interested this last year in seeing in an announcement of an auction sale at Christie's in London, that the property of the Simcoe estate at Wolford, in Devon, was being dispersed, and taking a chance that a man does in my profession, who is interested in such things, I wrote to "Mr. Simcoe," not knowing whether there was a Mr. Simcoe or not, and asking him what he meant. Mr. A. H. Simcoe wrote back saying that owing to the high taxes because of the war, he was unable to keep up the Simcoe estate in Devon, and therefore he was selling off the estate and everything in connection with it. I asked if there was anything left or had everything gone to Christie's, and especially had he the dispatch box that Simcoe used at Navy Hall—had it been preserved? He wrote back that it had not, but that he had the colours of the Queen's Rangers.

I want to tell you who were the Queen's Rangers. They were a regiment raised in the revolutionary war from New Hampshire, Connecticut and New York. It was composed of people who believed that the British Government was right, and they enlisted on the side of the British Government against the Colonial forces. It was raised by a man called Rogers, but in 1777, a few months after it was raised, a young man was sent for, John Graves Simcoe, who was put in command of this regiment and organized it and made it a large regiment, even introducing cavalry. This regiment took an important part in the war with the Colonies. In the Battle of Brandywine the British were successful, and the Queen's Rangers went through the American front; and the general in command, reporting to General Howe, said he had not words to express what he thought of the Queen's Rangers. This regiment went through the revolutionary war and surrendered, much to its disgust, at Yorktown. The men said they would like to get around the other way and get behind the American army, but they were overruled. They threw their guns down and jumped on them rather than hand them over.

That regiment was disbanded at the end of the war—disbanded in New Brunswick; and many members of it settled around Fredericton. When Simcoe came here as Governor he felt that the Governor should have a regiment with him, that he must not depend merely upon the people he might pick up here. He also thought he should have a large number of soldiers ready to repel any invasion. He also said there was much work that could be done only by soldiers, therefore he was allowed to raise a second battalion of Queen's Rangers. We had, therefore, a second Queen's Rangers of 450 men. They built many of the roads around Kingston and Toronto, for instance, Yonge Street. Lord Dorchester did not believe in Simcoe putting on so much style as Governor of

Upper Canada, and protested against the large establishment, and he was successful in having this second battalion detailed partly to Niagara and Detroit. Then Simcoe was sent off to San Domingo, and that regiment was soon afterward wiped out.

In 1837, the question of raising troops to defend the country arose, and Col. Samuel P. Jarvis raised another regiment of Queen's Rangers, the third of the name. I was interested in looking over the archives of the Public Library recently—you know we have archives there too—to find two early books with transactions of the Rangers at Niagara.

So then we have had three different Queen's Rangers in the country, the last one wholly Canadian and engaged in warfare in 1837; the second battalion that did no fighting at all, and was raised to a great extent for colonization purposes; and the first described by Trevelyan as perhaps the most outstanding regiment in connection with the revolutionary war, the descendants of whom are scattered through the country.

Secretary A. F. Hunter said: "I have noted down some of the first things that Kingston stands for. I find that Judge Lavell has referred to a number of them, but perhaps you will permit me, just briefly, to refer to a few more. In addition to this being the first permanent settlement in Upper Canada, as was stated—although there had been an earlier fort and settlement for ten years in Simcoe County, it did not become permanent as this one did—five years later, in 1768, was launched and built here the first vessel on the Great Lakes. At the present time the shipping on the Great Lakes exceeds in quantity six or seven times the shipping of any similar area in the world. We get that from the canal returns. This was also the first settlement of any considerable number of white men, by Captain Michael Grass, of the United Empire Loyalists—the Pilgrim Fathers of Upper Canada. The first grist mill in the Province we have had mentioned by Judge Lavell. Here was also the first church service in English, in 1785. Here in the latter part of the same year was opened the first school in Upper Canada. Near here, or twenty miles west, in Adolphustown, was the first municipal government in Canada. Here was the first road of any considerable length, called the King's Road, from Montreal to this place, and afterward what was known as the Danforth Road, named after the contractor, Asa Danforth, which was opened from here westward to Toronto. Here, or at least twelve miles west, the first steamer in Upper Canada was launched in 1817. Here was the first steam navigation of the canals—the first steamer was very soon followed by the canal. Here again was the first daily newspaper in Canada. I may also add that in one respect the first newspaper of any kind, because the newspaper at Niagara, the Upper Canada "Gazette," was printed by a salaried man paid from Whitehall, or Downing Street, but here the Kingston "Gazette" published in 1801, was issued by a man relying on his own merits. A short way to the westward was established the first woollen mill in Upper Canada.

"Those who are familiar with the early history of our Province know these facts, and they will be all the more impressive after our visit to many of the spots to-morrow. In meeting at Kingston we are accorded a privilege which it would be very hard to overestimate. Every street and every part of every

street in this city has some historical association, and I am sure that it is with the greatest pleasure that our meeting is held here."

The meeting was then adjourned.

Amongst those whose names were recorded in the register of attendance for the various sessions of the Kingston meeting, including the foregoing session, were the following (arranged alphabetically under localities):

BARRIE—Mr. A. S. Burton, Mrs. Burton and Miss Burton.

BRANTFORD—Miss Augusta I. G. Gilkison, Col. H. F. Leonard and R. W. E. McFadden, M.A., president Brant Historical Society.

CHATHAM—W. N. Sexsmith, B.A., Kent Historical Society.

GODERICH—James Mitchell.

HAMILTON—Justus A. Griffin, Wentworth Historical Society; Miss McQuesten, Women's Wentworth Historical Society.

KINGSTON—Mr. T. M. Asselstine, Mrs. Bateman, Rt. Rev. E. J. Bidwell, D.D., Bishop of Ontario; Prof. W. R. P. Bridger, Mrs. E. M. Carey, Dr. A. P. Chown, Mrs. Chas. Constantine, Mr. W. J. Coyle, "Standard"; J. A. Dalton and Mrs. Dalton, Ven. O. G. Dobbs, M.A., Archdeacon; Miss K. H. M. Drummond, Mr. J. G. Elliott, president of the Whig Publishing Company; Mr. J. Russell Forster, "Whig"; Mrs. Norman Fraser, Mr. G. E. Hague, Mr. A. Kennedy and Mrs. Kennedy, Mrs. C. W. Lane, Judge H. A. Lavell, Mr. F. G. Lockett and Miss Edna Lockett, Prof. D. McArthur, Major-General Sir A. C. Macdonell, commandant of the R.M.C. and president Kingston Historical Society; Miss Agnes Maule Machar, Miss E. L. Mowat, Mr. Hugh C. Nickle, Dr. Fergus J. O'Connor, M. Raegson, Very Rev. Dean G. L. Starr, M.A., D.D., Miss Sutherland, Major H. C. Wotherspoon, secretary Kingston Historical Society, and others.

KITCHENER—W. H. Breithaupt, C.E., president Waterloo Historical Society.

NAPANEE—W. S. Herrington, B.A., K.C., president Lennox and Addington Historical Society, Mr. J. W. Robinson.

NIAGARA FALLS, ONT.—Mr. J. C. Morden, secretary Lundy's Lane Historical Society, Rev. Dr. Wm. Wallis, Lundy's Lane Historical Society.

NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE—Mr. J. M. Mussen and Mrs. Mussen, Mrs. F. D. Porter, Mrs. John Redhead, Rev. Chas. H. E. Smith, M.A., and Mrs. Smith, Mrs. E. J. Thompson, Niagara Historical Society.

OTTAWA—Mrs. E. J. Ashton, president Women's Canadian Historical Society of Ottawa; Brig.-Gen. E. A. Cruikshank, Mr. Ernest Green, Mrs. J. R. Simpson.

SIMCOE—Miss C. A. McCall, Norfolk Historical Society.

TORONTO—Lt.-Col. A. E. Belcher, Mrs. Seymour Corley, Mr. C. Roy Greenaway, "Star Weekly"; Mr. M. O. Hammond, "Globe"; A. F. Hunter, secretary; Geo. H. Locke, M.A., Ph.D., Miss Sarah Mickle, president Women's Canadian Historical Society of Toronto; Mr. C. W. Nash, Dr. Rowland B. Orr, president; J. B. Tyrrell, M.A., F.G.S., and Mrs. Tyrrell.

WALKERVILLE—Mrs. D. M. McGregor.

WINDSOR—Andrew Braid and Mrs. Braid, Geo. F. Macdonald and Mrs. Macdonald, Essex Historical Society.

GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING, THURSDAY, JULY 5, 1923, 10 A.M.

At the morning session, held in Convocation Hall of Queen's University, Dr. Fergus O'Connor said: "Mr. President, ladies and gentlemen: Owing to the unavoidable inability of His Worship the Mayor to be present to-day, it has fallen to my lot to welcome you to the historic City of Kingston. In Kingston you have already seen and heard a great deal of historic interest. In welcoming you to our city, where you will conduct the business of your conference, we wish also that you may enjoy the weather and the scenery. I am not going to dwell upon the points of historic interest in the city. You have heard of them from abler lips than mine, and the capable members of the Kingston Historical Society will take much pleasure in showing you these points during your stay.

"The one thing of which I may speak for a moment is the work that you have set about to do. Those who turn their eyes from their petty concerns of daily work and pay tribute to the illustrious traditions of the past, and to the noble lives that have passed, will realize the quality of the men who have preceded us. Kingston is the oldest and most historic city in the Province, and we should be thankful that somebody has taken the time and trouble to pay this tribute to the traditions of the past.

"I know that at this time you appreciate speeches for their brevity, and being only a substitute for His Worship the Mayor, I shall say nothing further, but again welcome you to the City of Kingston, and to tell you that its historic spots are open for inspection, and that the aim to which you devote yourselves should be advanced as a result of your visit."

The Chairman: "On behalf of the Historical Society, I have much pleasure in thanking Dr. O'Connor for his address in welcoming us to this, the Limestone City of Ontario. Our members will remember their visit here, as Kingston is one of the most important pivotal points of the past, and will be more so in the future."

The President read his annual report (see Appendix I), and the secretary then read his report of the business affairs of the Society for the year 1922-23. (See Appendix I.)

After reading his report, the Secretary said: It is usual for me to add a few oral remarks on the different points which have come up in the written report, in order to emphasize some of them; and this is especially necessary because our members meet just once a year, coming from the extreme ends of the Province. I need therefore make no apology for dwelling a little longer upon some points. I speak of this not to blame any one; it is merely a geographical disability of the members, but it operates against certain kinds of good executive work.

Now first as to the membership. There is some misapprehension or misunderstanding as to the possible number that we may expect. I have heard it said that there should be two thousand members in this Society—personally, I think not. Perhaps I am as familiar with the conditions as any one. There may not be more than four or five actual workers in every county, that is to say,

people who are producing literary work for the press on historical subjects. Therefore, two hundred or three hundred members of a nucleus in this Province of some forty counties and county groups, would be as much as this society could expect to receive. Of course there are many persons who are anxious to get our volumes, and join us for that purpose. They are not actual historical workers, yet they prefer to help us by joining and have our publications in their libraries; and so it is from that class that our members largely come, in addition to the actual historical workers. Some of these members are spasmodic, joining and remaining for a year or two and then dropping out. We have considerable loss from that source.

We come next to publications. In the report I have referred to them in detail. First, there were the annual reports for 1922 and then our annual volume of "Papers and Records" (No. 20). In regard to the volume of "Papers and Records," we have included this year an index of the first twenty volumes upon which I hope to read a paper later on. [See, immediately following the secretary's report in Appendix I.] In passing, may I just say that our twenty volumes contain 237 different papers, some of the authors of which produced more than one; therefore 168 different authors are represented? And it is worth noting, too, that not one of these 168 authors ever received one cent for his production. This work has been given to the Province at large by these people, many of whom are now deceased.

The stage at which the first Simcoe volume has arrived is this: It has been printed, and the printing office bound up a copy for me in the colour of cloth which they intend to use. It will be lettered on the back, and the publication will be ready for sale in two or three weeks. It was sent for me to exhibit at this meeting. It consists of about 460 pages, and brings the story up to 1793. The point at which it was divided was about August 1st of that year, when Governor Simcoe went over from Niagara to Toronto. This volume completes the Niagara period, and Simcoe's letters of the next volume will mostly be dated from York, or Toronto. He did spend a little time at Niagara afterward, especially when Parliament met, but his letters of the future volumes will be dated chiefly from York, or Toronto, where his headquarters were. The binding, or even the maps alone, would be worth a dollar. Nothing was spared by either General Cruikshank or myself to make the volume as useful and accurate as possible. I was surprised last week to find, from the letter file, that each of us had written over fifty letters to the other during the past twelve months in regard to different points in connection with this Simcoe volume.

The next point is the library. When I began work as your secretary, the first thing I did was to make an inventory of our library. We had then 667 volumes and 2,071 pamphlets. You may have noticed from my report that we have taken in this year very nearly as much as had been taken during the first fifteen years—627 books and some 810 pamphlets. When I mentioned it to the Council in 1913 what the Society had done in library building in the fifteen years, they seemed to be complacent enough, but complacency was not well founded when we can get within one year nearly as much as in a previous fifteen years. One man alone brought in more than 150 books. We will be under the necessity

of ordering some new shelving very soon to take care of the increasing number of books and pamphlets. Every time there is a change in Government we have had to change our quarters so that it appears to me that we should have portable book shelves. In the last ten years I have moved the library three times, from one room to another, and the task would now be a formidable enough one.

As to the finances, some of the report is satisfactory, but other parts not quite so good. At the very time when we have published during the year more than at any previous time and as much as, or more than, any other society on this continent, and have been getting a larger amount of material in our library than ever before, the Society has been putting up less cash than ever. That is a little unfortunate. The sum of \$213 seems a small amount. Of course, we have not yet begun the sale of the Simcoe volume, and the "Papers and Records" sale is what we have depended upon for the increase of our cash receipts. There are three reasons, at least, that I know of, for this state of affairs. The late Dr. Boyle, who was Secretary at one time, said in my hearing, using a figure of speech, that "people do not throw apples into an orchard," which is to say that when you are supposed to be part of a government, people are not inclined to help you in financing. That is a great mistake on their part. The Government helps us, but that is no reason why individuals should relax their efforts. Then, secondly, we have the Archives Bureau, which distributes its publications gratis, in various ways in competition with us. Thirdly, I think the most important element is that our regulations are at fault. In the report I have offered a suggestion. I have given the matter my earnest study for a long time and when the Society's new Council comes in, I will lay before them a suggestion by which nobody will be hurt, and by which our cash receipts will be increased. Every year as I send out our publications, I realize the smallness of our paying list. We send out the publications to those who were in the war, and we have not charged them. In the next place they are sent to about fifty ex-officio members. I think they should become accustomed to pay for their publications. Every one of them receives more salary than I do, and therefore I think it would not hurt them if our publications, the "Papers and Records" at least, which will be increased in size, and may have to be bound in cloth, were paid for by these ex-officio members. They should be asked to pay their dollar. I think our obligation to the delegates also would be settled in full if we sent the annual report containing the business affairs; and if they wish the annual volume of "Papers and Records" for themselves they would perhaps not mind paying the dollar in the same way as other members. Every year we also lose \$30 or \$40 in bad debts. People join and stay two or three years; then perhaps find the subject "too dry" and drop their membership. Before they stop they leave us with two or three years in arrears. Taking everything into consideration **our regulations need overhauling.**

Finally, as to the affiliated societies and collateral institutions. The work of the former is included in their reports, which we expect to publish. They have their own annual meetings for the discussion of local business details, and so, at this annual meeting of the Provincial Society, their delegates, who are present, will doubtless speak of points in their affairs that relate to the Province at large. In regard to the Archives Bureau, someone may say that the report

contains a remedy, viz., co-operation, but does not state the disease. If any one will turn to recent volumes of the Ontario Public Accounts, he will see that the Archives Bureau is costing the Province upward of fifteen thousand dollars a year—or fifteen times as much as the Ontario Historical Society does. And yet for some years past the Society has been turning out more historical material than does the Archives Bureau, which in the new Act lays claim to the whole field of historical effort. While one can appreciate what is being done by many people to develop the historical material of this Province, including the efforts made at government or public expense, as far as it goes, the large outlay upon that Bureau, in consideration of the small work accomplished in publishing, is a matter for regret.

With this annual meeting I bring to a close ten years of service as your executive officer, and the occasion seems fitting that I should add a few remarks on the progress of the Society from decade to decade in addition to what I have said of its progress from year to year. I do this with some confidence, because it was just thirty years last month since I was first placed upon the Council of the Society. At the following meeting, twenty-nine years ago, I had the pleasure of meeting Rev. Canon Spencer, of Hamilton, for the first time, and it surprised me last week in looking over the printed reports for those years to see that Canon Spencer and myself are the sole survivors of those who were present at those annual meetings. It was a satisfaction to me to meet the Rev. Dr. Scadding, the venerable historian of Toronto, who was then our President, and Dr. Canniff who was the historian of this part of the Province, and William Rennie who did much good work also. These were prominent amongst the founders of our Society some thirty-five years ago, and they were men of whom we need not feel any discredit. They have all passed away; they were men advanced in years before they founded the Society.

In passing may I just add a few remarks regarding Dr. Canniff? We have too little on record about his life. Besides assisting to found this Society, and also being present at the very first meeting in this Province in 1861 to form a historical society, he was also the author of valuable books. As you know, his history of the early settlement of this eastern part of the Province, notwithstanding many errors in the details, is a classic. He was also the author of a valuable work on the history of the medical profession in Upper Canada. He was the first director of the Consumptive Hospital near Gravenhurst. I would have been very glad if there had been biographies of these men.

It would give me pleasure, too, to refer to the people I met some two decades ago—Dr. Jas. H. Coyne, the late Dr. C. C. James, Miss Janet Carnochan, Mrs. E. J. Thompson and others—but I must hasten on. Dr. James seemed to inherit the enthusiasm of his relative, Dr. Canniff. He was largely instrumental in starting this Society in an executive career—that is, starting a collection of books, starting the series of "Papers and Records" with its richly stored twenty volumes to date, and in many other ways. I regret very much his death in 1916, which left a blank in the Society which was hard to fill.

Now I will speak briefly of the events of one decade ago. When I look back to that time, three or four outstanding memories come to me. In the first place, we were deficient in finances. There was a balance of \$240 in hand

when the Society met in 1913, but half of that was used up before I arrived on the scene three weeks later. Worse than that, there was a balance on printing account, when \$600 or \$700 of bills came in, and there was nothing to pay them with except to take up the grants for the coming year. Had I known of this state of affairs, it is probable I would not have undertaken the task. But I was not born a quitter, so I remained. We doubled the subscription list in a few months. But when the war broke out, ten months later, it added to our difficulties. Two or three years later we formed a little delegation and went to the Minister of Education (Hon. Dr. Pyne) and pointed out our position—also how his department and our Society could co-operate and save money—and the Government undertook the printing of our annual report. That was the beginning of our getting the financial condition improved, and we have not been so badly off since then.

Another point which comes to my memory was the method of letting the Society's printing. Formerly it was done by one printing firm, but the Council of 1912-13 decided to divide it up among three firms without tender, with the result that heavy bills came in. One of the first duties I had to perform was to tell the committee that tenders should be taken, and we got a much lower price and cut the bills by \$700, through asking for tenders. The third memory of a decade ago that should be mentioned is the improvement of our quarters. We have now convenient quarters provided by the Government, and these are worth at least \$1,000 a year, for which we have nothing to pay. At one time there was a proposal to build a home, but under existing conditions we could not do that. The lawyers do not pay anything for their use of Osgoode Hall, which is a Government building. Why should we, the historians, who do the larger part of our work gratis, be expected to pay, while lawyers and others are provided with quarters? The Government have taken a very reasonable view of the matter and provide us with quarters, and that has been a great help to us.

In conclusion, the gist of our experience can be expressed in a few words: **Make the Society creditable, and it will have many friends.**

Lt.-Col. Belcher said: "I rise to a question of personal privilege. Being active in some of the other societies, especially the York Pioneers, I wish to tell the meeting that we have formed a plan by which this Society may benefit as well as other societies. The York Pioneers have been in communication with the Canadian National Exhibition and it is proposed to build a large building on the grounds of the Exhibition, to be constructed of cement, for the purpose of holding historical matter. We have a log cabin there now with a small collection that is interesting, but it is not creditable to the great City of Toronto and the National Exhibition. I believe the authorities realize that. The new president of the Exhibition, who is a farmer, is in accord with the plan I have mentioned—that is, to build a building of cement, sixty feet long, and high enough for the purpose. In it we will place historical matter that we can secure. I have an Enfield rifle which I intend to place there. Private collections could be drawn upon and, I think, make a very fine collection. We intend to keep the old log cabin in a corner to show future generations the kind of house in which the original pioneers lived. There will also be a ladder for the children to climb

upstairs. I have had the privilege of speaking to the authorities. The late Lieut.-Governor, Hon. Mr. Gibson, was in accord with the idea. There will be room in this building for the Historical Society, and I hope it will decide to take part."

The Chairman: "We have not gone into it."

Col. Belcher: "I have gone into it, and you may go into it or not, as you please; there is no force in the matter. I speak authoritatively from the York Pioneers. This building will be erected and you may take part in it if you wish. This is a movement that should be taken up jointly in order to preserve anything historical."

Mr. James Mitchell, Goderich, said: "Oh, the pity of it, the tragedy of it, with this little gathering, all there are of us here! With regard to the report of our secretary, I was interested in many things. I want to impress on you what has impressed me, that there are things mentioned there on which we ought to take action. It may be that these will be referred to the incoming council, with the request that they act on them, but I can see many things on which common business sense and prudence dictate that we should take action. It was my privilege to go through a large part of the Province, and I wonder what we are doing to preserve our glorious heritage. There are so many things that people are going crazy about, while we neglect the memory of the past. I presume this report will be referred to the incoming council. If so, to make the matter formal, I move that the report of the secretary be received and adopted. I am ready to adopt it and refer it to the incoming council for action, likewise the president's report."

Col. H. F. Leonard, Brantford: "I second the motion. I would like to refer to a few remarks by Col. Belcher. It seems to me that if we are to join up with the York Pioneers, in the proposed building, it would be contrary to what the organization is met here to-day for. I would think the proper place for the history of Canada and the Ontario Historical Society, would be in the hands of the Government. Col. Belcher undoubtedly is working in the interest of the York Pioneers. We have nothing against the York Pioneers, and wish them every success. Anything historical that they have should pertain to the County of York, and anything we have along that line might be placed in their hands."

Mr. C. W. Nash, Toronto: "I would strongly oppose any effort made by the York Pioneers to infringe on the rights of the outside or local historical societies. The York Pioneers have themselves a home district, quite a large enough field in which to gather up all the historical relics that they can properly take care of. Furthermore, it is a most absurd thing to increase the number of collections of historical material and scatter them all over the country. We should restrict ourselves each to a home district."

The resolution adopting the reports was passed.

The report of the treasurer was submitted, and having been read in council, was taken as read. On motion by Mrs. E. J. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Justus A. Griffin, it was adopted.

The subject of selecting a nominating committee having been introduced, Mrs. D. M. McGregor moved, and Mr. W. H. Breithaupt seconded, a resolution

that the meeting choose the following: Gen. Cruikshank, Mr. Macdonald, Mr. Griffin and Mr. Mitchell. The motion was adopted.

The president selected Mr. Wotherspoon, Mrs. Thompson and Mr. Nash.

On motion by Gen. Cruikshank, seconded by Mrs. Thompson, it was resolved that a committee on resolutions be appointed, consisting of the following: Mrs. Ashton, Mr. Morden, Mr. Braid, Mr. Breithaupt and the secretary.

The president read a telegram from Dr. Jas. H. Coyne, in which he expressed his regrets at finding it impossible to attend this meeting.

Brief reports on the outstanding features of the work of the local affiliated societies were then asked for, and the list taken up in alphabetical order, Brant Historical Society being the first.

Col. H. F. Leonard, Brantford, said: "Our days are given over largely to pleasure and there is no thought of the past. Even our sacred spots where our forefathers lived seem to get no recognition. They are forgotten. It is a dreadful thing to see how lax many people are in keeping up the resting places of their forefathers. We have the earliest Protestant church in the Dominion, or at least in Ontario, near Brantford, the home of Joseph Brant. My forefathers attended service in the church many years ago. The surroundings of this church have been badly neglected. It is true that when the Prince of Wales was in Brantford a short time ago—I had the privilege of driving with him as Mayor—we succeeded in getting the Mohawk Institute people to clean it up. The other day when I was there, preparing to bury the remains of Allan Johnson, a descendant of Brant, I saw that the place was growing up again. I think the Ontario Historical Society should take action to preserve these old graveyards. It would be a step in the right direction."

Miss A. I. G. Gilkison said: "In speaking of Allan Johnson, he was not a descendant of Brant, the family taking the name from Sir William Johnson. Sir William Johnson's wife, Molly Brant, is buried in St Paul's Cemetery here in Kingston. I hope the Kingston Historical Society will look after that grave. The grave was looked up by John Ross Robertson. She was the only sister of Joseph Brant."

Mr. W. N. Sexsmith, reporting for the Kent Historical Society, said: "The Kent Society has been organized for ten years. We have directed our energies to collecting what material was available there, and to the publication of historical volumes. We have published five volumes, aggregating 284 pages, and we have our sixth volume about ready for publication this year. We have sought to interest the public school teachers of the county. We have found in some instances that the history of the county is being taught from our publications. We have put in the daily paper an account of the early history of the county, our secretary publishing each Saturday a resumé of various interesting and important matters that have occurred, and I find that it is arousing general interest in the county history. From October to April we have one public meeting per month. We get some important papers and some of not so great importance. We publish them all, to the gratification of the writers. We have some documents that we hope are worthy of distributing to the Provincial Society because they are of more than local interest."

Miss Gilkison: "Why does not the Kent Society try and find out where Tecumseh was buried?"

Mr. Sexsmith: "We have tried and tried in vain."

Major Wotherspoon, secretary of the Kingston Historical Society, announced that at 3 p.m. motor cars would be in readiness to take the members of the Society to historic points in the city, and finally to the Royal Military College.

The session was then adjourned.

The reading of brief reports on the work of the affiliated societies was continued at the afternoon session, beginning at 2 p.m.

Mr. J. C. Morden, of the Lundy's Lane Historical Society, said: "Our society intends to carry out the ceremony of the dedication of the cairns at Beaver Dams and Cook's Mills on July 25th." (He then read the report sent by the president.)

Rev. Dr. Wallis, vice-president of the Lundy's Lane Historical Society, said: "I was not prepared to add anything to our secretary's report. The Lundy's Lane Historical Society is very much alive. We have a large room in the Free Library and we have it almost filled with various historical relics, records and other matters of interest. Each year we add to the collection and I would especially invite any one coming to Niagara Falls to come to the library and ask the librarian to show them through the museum. We are arranging to publish a history of the various schools of the county, arranged by Mr. Morden, our secretary, and also to publish a record of the religious development in the Niagara district. There is one factor that I think some of us overlooked. I think some provision should be made for the cataloguing and arranging of the private collections of relics, manuscripts, etc., that so many of our people have. I know of three private collections in Niagara Falls that are very valuable. If we could arrange a department to tabulate them we might encourage people to provide for their gravitation to Toronto or to our own museum at Niagara Falls. There would be a very instructive pamphlet if we could secure a list of the private collections in the Province."

Mrs. E. J. Thompson, reporting for the Niagara Historical Society, said: "Our work is going on as it has done for years. The museum is open Wednesdays and Saturdays. Publication Number 35 is ready for the press. It will contain the story of the Polish camp at Niagara. They came from all over the world. It was the first time for two hundred years that a Polish army had drilled under their own flag. Our annual picnic is to be held on the 15th of August, and we are to unveil a tablet commemorating the Battle of Fort George. We will have luncheon in St. Mark's School House. All interested in history will be welcomed.

"I want to say a word of congratulation for Mr. Hunter's catalogue of the 'Papers and Records' for twenty years. Any one who knows historical work knows how valuable such an index is. We owe Mr. Hunter a vote of thanks for it."

Mr. W. H. Breithaupt, for the Waterloo Historical Society, said: "Our Society has interested itself in the past year in marking historical sites. We

will mark the first farm in the Indian Block, No. 2, the first interior settlement of any size in Upper Canada. The private cemetery there contains the grave of the first settler of the county. The first school and the first printing office where a paper was printed in 1834 are also to be marked. We have accumulated quite an interesting museum which contains a settler's wagon, driven to Waterloo County in 1807, from Pennsylvania. The society continues to flourish. We have published ten reports, the last year's report being the largest one yet published. One paper covered the history of the first settlers from Switzerland—the Mennonites."

Mr. Justus A. Griffin, for the Wentworth Historical Society, said: "Our membership has increased during the year from fifty-two to sixty-nine. We have about 750 books and pamphlets in the library. Most of our old curiosities are in Dundurn Castle at present. We arranged for a tablet commemorating the landing of La Salle on the borders of Burlington Bay, in the neighbourhood of what is now Wabasso Park. We secured a boulder, and on the 9th of June the Lieutenant-Governor unveiled the tablet, stating that near there La Salle landed with his party in September, 1669. We did not publish anything last year, but we have republished J. H. Smith's History of Wentworth County, first published some years ago.

"We have offered prizes of historical books in the Wentworth schools, asking the pupils to write about the early settlement of the county from what they could learn from their parents and from other sources about the early settlement life, how they lived, etc. We have not got any great number of responses, not as many as in a former competition fifteen years ago, but there are some interesting papers and we will award a few prizes.

"We are also interested in preserving the old military cemetery on Burlington Heights. A sand and gravel company has been trying to destroy Burlington Heights by carting it away, and by excavating close to the ridge, and closer to the cemetery than they should have been allowed to do. The cemetery began to slide down into their sand pits. They have been stopped from going further and I think perhaps they will have to put up a retaining wall to prevent more of it falling away. The Historic Sites and Monuments Board at Ottawa is helping us in the matter, and there will be no further desecration of that ground. There are a good many vandals in this age and generation, marking the stones that we have put up. It seems almost impossible to believe that people would take the trouble to destroy monuments in that way."

Mrs. Ashton, president of the Women's Historical Society of Ottawa, said: "This year, in addition to the papers given by members, we have had a series of public lectures given by men engaged in research in the Ethnological Department of the Bureau of Mines. We have published so far eight volumes of transactions. We are now preparing the ninth for next year. The outstanding feature of this year's work has been the securing of the little Bytown Museum, leased for ten years. Local societies with museums should have reciprocity, and should exchange items that are duplicated. The locality should have what is of local interest, but sometimes they have items that could be spared to other museums."

Miss Mickle, of the Toronto Women's Historical Society, said: "We have been getting along very well. Our meetings have been very good and the papers

very good. Some of the papers could not be printed. If we had more money we could do a good deal more printing. In connection with our meetings I get appeals for help through request to allow a speaker to come for ten minutes on behalf of some cause. We have been devoting our energies to our own purposes. We increased our building fund by \$1,100 last year, and hope to get \$10,000. We feel we can appeal to people when we get that sum in hand. It would be folly to give in to a general collection what we need for our own. We ought to specialize in what we retain."

At this point adjournment of the session took place, and at 3 p.m. the Kingston Historical Society entertained the members and delegates in attendance to an interesting drive in motor cars to various places of historic interest in Kingston, halting at the Whig Building.

In this drive, Mr. T. M. Asselstine, President of the Kingston Automobile Club, led the way about the city, and his route was closely followed by the procession of cars.

The Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada had placed a tablet on the front wall of the Whig Building, which occupies the site of St. George's Anglican Church (1791-1825), in which on July 8, 1792, was held the first meeting of the Executive Council of Upper Canada.

DEDICATION OF TABLET ON THE WHIG OFFICE.

At the unveiling of the tablet, Brig.-Gen. E. A. Cruikshank, chairman of the Historic Sites and Monuments Board, read an address. (This is printed in full in Vol. 21 of the Society's 'Papers and Records.')

Mr. J. G. Elliott said: "As president of the British Whig Publishing Company I accept this tablet that has been placed upon our building, to mark the spot where the first Executive Council in Upper Canada was sworn in. It is a good thing for a newspaper to be founded upon a rock. We are pleased to be associated with the church in that respect, the rock beneath and The Whig' above. We are striving to fulfil our mission, and to make our readers more appreciative of Canadian history. 'The Whig' is now in its ninetieth year. It was established by an Englishman, Mr. Barker. I have been associated with the paper for forty-five years myself. We are seeking to stimulate the very best thought and interest of our country, and make Canada one of the mightiest nations in the British Empire.

"We accept this tablet and desire to give credit to the Historic Sites and Monuments Board for their interest in this matter. In the years past we have neglected the work of looking after the historic points throughout the country. The work of this Board is now helping to carry on the education of the people along this very important line.

"I am sure you will recognize with what pride we believe in the past history of Kingston, and in the great possibilities before us. We have a great institution here which is turning out men and women for important work in building up a country that we all love so greatly. We have been very neglectful in the past in regard to our great historic events. We have been so interested in the commercial development that we have forgotten the historic relics that should

have been looked after. The governments of this country have not been as interested in the work of collecting and gathering the records of this country as they should have been."

Rev. Dean Starr, of St. George's Cathedral, said: "It was in 1784 that the congregation of St. George's was founded, in the old Tête du Pont Barracks. In 1791 on this particular site in a virgin forest the first church was erected, known as Old St. George's. It was described by a French historian as a very picturesque little building, built of logs and painted blue, with a gable at the longer end, and not much resembling a place of worship. You can picture what a scene was presented when the Executive Council was sworn in. The Governor was resplendent in his uniform, surrounded by illustrious citizens of that time. The whipping post and the stocks stood yonder in the market square. There were no buildings in front and some warships were anchored in the harbour. Away stretched the lake to the great unknown west, and one can readily picture the inspiration of such a scene. So much for the building itself. Just one word regarding the illustrious founder of St. George's, Dr. John Stuart. We of St. George's are very proud of our origin. It was of United Empire Loyalists, than which no better blood flows in British veins. In their midst was the well-known pastor, Dr. John Stuart, who was called 'the little gentleman,' from the fact that he stood six feet four inches in his stockings, and was the most courtly gentleman of his time. Under the leadership of Captain Grass the Loyalists made a landing in Kingston. They took up their assignments of land and the little church was built. The actual date of the present building was 1825. There many notable events have taken place and I would ask the members of the Ontario Historical Society to visit St. George's and see the tablet which has been erected by the Kingston Historical Society, in memory of Dr. John Stuart, and also to view the place where the remains of Lord Sydenham, the first Governor of United Canada, repose.

"I am very glad that Mr. Elliott appreciates the fact that 'The Whig' has been built upon no uncertain foundation on the site of St. George's, and that the paper is endeavouring to live up to the importance of that foundation."

Resuming the motor drive, after a halt in front of the Tête du Pont Barracks, the procession of cars arrived at the Royal Military College, where the members were received by Maj.-Gen. Sir A. C. Macdonell, Commandant of the College. They were escorted to the Sir Arthur Currie Memorial Hall, where, at 4 p.m., tea was served. At the session here General Macdonell gave an address on the Royal Military College. He pointed out that the hall is a memorial to the Canadian contingent and described the various banners and badges with which the hall is beautifully decorated. He gave an interesting account of the work of the Military College, tracing its history from its foundation in 1876 to the present time. In the original college course, instruction was exclusively military, but the civil side had to be introduced, and now preponderates in the proportion of fifty-six to forty-four on the civil side. The college does not force its graduates to enter military service. The spirit with which its students are filled at the

institution is the guarantee that they will be available when trouble arises, and they have never been found wanting. Of 1,100 of its graduates who went to the front in the Great War, 170 were killed and 300 wounded. Its fees are less than in other institutions of the same kind, being \$550 for the first year and \$350 for each subsequent year, in which board is included. A standing vote of thanks to Gen. Macdonell, moved by Col. A. E. Belcher, was cordially adopted.

Coming out of the Memorial Hall, the visitors were escorted through the various parts of the main building. They were also shown the "Stone Frigate," erected originally for training and quartering cadets, and fitted up as the model of a man-of-war. In the parade ground at the time of this visit, the full corps of the De La Salle Institute was lined up, the corps being in camp at Barriefield. The guests were next escorted to the museum of military relics in the Martello Tower, after which the party returned to the city.

At 6 p.m. a complimentary dinner was tendered to the members and delegates in attendance, in Ontario Hall, by the Kingston Historical Society. Major-General Sir Archibald C. Macdonell, president of the local Society, presided, and gave the toast to "The King."

Rev. Dean Starr assured the Ontario Historical Society, which he said was doing a good work, of the pleasure their visit to Kingston was affording the local society and the citizens. Such a visit tends to keep alive the historical sentiment in the Province, and teaches its citizens to reverence the traditions and history of our country. The speaker hoped the delegates had enjoyed their visit and would return at some future time.

Dr. Orr, President of the Ontario Historical Society, replied with thanks to the local society for their hospitality, and for making this visit to Kingston so pleasant. The historical societies have a great task before them in preserving the records and the honour of this country.

A vote of thanks to the local society was proposed by Lt.-Col. H. F. Leonard, seconded by Miss Gilkison. The ladies present were given souvenirs in the form of dainty china pitchers with the arms of Kingston, and the dates, 1673-1923, and the men received ash trays with the same design.

EVENING SESSION, JULY 5.

At 8 p.m., a session was held in Memorial Hall (City Buildings).

Hugh C. Nickle, K.C., read an interesting and valuable paper on the "History of the City Hall, Kingston." A great fire had taken place in Kingston in 1840, and the market buildings which had occupied the site of the present City Buildings had been destroyed. The rebuilding of better City Buildings thereupon became a vital subject of discussion, but the necessary money could not be raised in the Province, so on September 11, 1842, the Mayor was authorized to go to London and borrow £20,000 sterling by debentures for the purpose. The total cost of the structure was \$115,000. Mr Nickle's instructive paper, which showed a large amount of research, gave a detailed sketch of the subsequent history of these buildings, concluding with the story of the completion of Memorial Hall which commemorates those who fell in the recent Great War, especially in the beautiful memorial windows. A full account of Mr. Nickle's

address and paper was printed in the Kingston "Standard," of July 6, 1923. After the reading of the paper, Dr. Orr, president, expressed the thanks of the audience for this enjoyable sketch.

W. S. Herrington, K.C., read a valuable paper on "Where Did Champlain Lose His Way?" which dealt with the explorer's adventure in 1615, when in the Cataraqui district immediately north of Kingston. This paper is printed in full in the Ontario Archæological Report for 1923.

Brig.-Gen. E. A. Cruikshank read a paper on "The Session of the Executive Council of Upper Canada at Kingston, July, 1792," tracing the interesting events in connection with Governor Simcoe's arrival in Kingston, and giving the Council proceedings from day to day. This important paper is published in full in the Society's "Papers and Records," Vol. 21.

The meeting was then adjourned.

MORNING SESSION, JULY 6.

At the session to-day, which began at 10 a.m., the nominating committee submitted their report as follows:

Your committee on nominations respectfully beg leave to nominate the following officers to be elected for the incoming year:

President—Dr. Rowland B. Orr, Provincial Museum, Toronto.

1st Vice-President—Lt.-Col. A. E. Belcher, Toronto.

2nd Vice-President—Fred Landon, M.A., London.

Treasurer—Capt. J. S. Carstairs, B.A., Toronto.

Council—Geo. F. Macdonald, Windsor; Hon. Alex. McCall, Simcoe; James Mitchell, Goderich; Mrs. E. J. Thompson, Niagara-on-the-Lake; Mrs. J. Seymour Corley, Toronto.

Auditors—W. A. McLean, C.E., and Frank Yeigh.

On motion by Gen. Cruikshank, seconded by Mrs. E. J. Thompson, the report was adopted.

General Cruikshank said: "I am not going to say anything about yourself, sir, or the other officers—the vice-presidents and treasurer. I have no doubt that you have all done your work well. I do not know whether your work has been increased or not during the past year, but I want to say a word about the secretary and his work. His work to my certain knowledge—and I have been pretty closely associated with him in the past three years—has been vastly increased during last year, largely through my own fault, and I wish to make a public acknowledgment of my obligations to the secretary in that respect. As you know, he is putting a volume through the press—Governor Simcoe's Letters—and that is no small work. They are big pages, and closely printed pages, and the secretary has read these proofs, I believe, three times. We made every effort to ensure accuracy, and apart from that, quite a number of notes that apparently figure under my name I really owe to the secretary. His knowledge on certain points was greater than my own, and I would have overlooked certain matters of importance had it not been for his voluntary assistance. He has supplied many valuable notes. He has made certain corrections of errors for which I am exceedingly grateful to him. He took upon himself,

owing to my going away during the winter, the labour of preparing the index, which is no small work, and I believe it is most excellently done, and it has added immensely to the value of the volume as a work of reference. We hope it will give great assistance to the students of our national and provincial history in the time to come. To publish a book without an index—a judicious and appropriate index—to my mind is a crime. We have been able to supply this index to the book through the voluntary exertions of the secretary of this Society, for which I wish to express my most profound thanks.”

The report of the resolutions committee was submitted, and included the four following resolutions:

On motion by Mr. W. H. Breithaupt, seconded by Mr. J. C. Morden, it was resolved that the Ontario Historical Society acknowledges with gratitude the assistance it has received during the year from the Department of Education and the Ontario Government, through the Honorable Minister of Education (the Hon. Mr. Grant), and the Deputy Minister of Education (Dr. A. H. U. Colquhoun), in furnishing the Society with quarters and accommodation, in printing its annual publications including the Simcoe correspondence, and in generously aiding its financial resources.

On motion by Mr. J. C. Morden, seconded by Mrs. E. J. Ashton, it was resolved that the Ontario Historical Society desires to place on record its appreciation of the great hospitality shown by the citizens of the City of Kingston who contributed so much to the success of this annual meeting. To the Kingston Historical Society in particular, thanks are due for the completeness of their arrangements for the meeting, to the Queen's University for generously granting the use of their Convocation Hall for the meetings, to the commandant and officers of the Royal Military College for their instructive attention on the occasion of the Society's visit to that institution, and to the press for their appreciative notices of the work of this Society and proceedings at the various sessions.

On motion by Mr. J. C. Morden, seconded by Mrs. E. J. Ashton, it was resolved that the secretary of the Ontario Historical Society be instructed to communicate with the various historical societies to secure a list of specimens, relics, documents or contents of the local museums, and that these records be preserved by the Ontario Historical Society for future reference, and that a list of the private collections be also made and preserved.

It was moved by Mr. Braid, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, that the resolutions committee, having had before them the communication of Mr. Ellison in regard to the condition of old cemeteries, would commend it to the local historical societies for their consideration and action.

The communication by the Rev. Mr. Ellison, referred to this Society by the Daughters of the Empire, is as follows:

Mrs. Doolittle,

President, Daughters of the Empire.

Dear Madam:

508 Annette Street,
Toronto, October 11, 1922.

For some time it has been on my mind to write the Daughters of the Empire regarding the neglected conditions of the pioneer cemeteries of our country.

Recently I have been travelling through different sections of the Province, and it has made my heart ache to see the dilapidated condition of these places. It is shocking to see the fences broken down, many of the monuments out of plumb, tombstones lying in ruins, and in some instances cattle grazing in those sacred spots. Surely such a thing is a disgrace to the people of this fair Province, and ought to be remedied at once.

I wish to point out that the families of the pioneers have gone away, and strangers have taken their places, with no one taking any interest whatever in these burying grounds. It appears to me that something should be done, a movement set on foot for the beautifying and care of such cemeteries.

I will now leave this matter to you to take whatever steps you may deem necessary for the solution of this problem, feeling assured that you will have the loyalty and support of our people. I merely call this to your attention believing that you will take a deep interest in it.

With much appreciation for your work in the past, I wish you every success in the future.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) (REV.) D. I. ELLISON,

Col. Belcher said: "May I endorse that resolution dealing with the care of cemeteries by saying that it is one of the most important resolutions that this Society can pass. We had an experience of that last year, and it is a crying shame that the present generation will stand by and see them neglected. This resolution should go broadcast and have an effect upon many minds. It will show that we have the sense to draw attention to it, and bring some good in that way."

Mr. James Mitchell, Goderich, said: "I want to speak to the representatives of the local historical societies. I wish that every historical society in the Province had a representative here. I feel so strongly about this matter I would like to go around with a hammer and chisel and garbage outfit and uncover the stones where lie the honoured dead—no, the dishonoured dead, the people who made possible the glorious country we enjoy. Every county in the Province that I have visited is in the same way. How can we get this thing started or a propelling force behind that resolution? To pass the resolution and do nothing more about it would add insult to dishonour. I appeal to you. Do not rest when you go home; bring this matter before your local societies and meet some other body in your locality and they will help you to bring this matter to the attention of those who should act.

"I feel so strongly that I don't know what I would not do. We have no historical society in our county, but we have these spots in every county, and I will try and get some society, such as the Daughters of the Empire, to move in this matter. Let us not forget these things after we pass a resolution. Let us get behind some body, try to get some body to move and begin. Where it is the fault of the church, begin with that congregation. The idea of going through the glorious service we have in our church, 'when this corruption shall

have put on incorruption,' and within just a few yards away the graves are a reproach to us even while we repeat these lines.

"I want, if I have never anything more to do with the Ontario Historical Society, I want to have the credit of having done something to restore reverence and honour to those who have made possible the things which we now have. We have achieved many things ourselves, but much has been made possible only through the heroism and courage and perseverance of those whose graves we pass by as if they were of no account."

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Ernest Green, of Ottawa, read a valuable historical paper on "Gilbert Tice, U.E.," a United Empire Loyalist who had a most important career. The paper is printed in full in the Society's "Papers and Records," Vol. 21.

General Cruikshank: "I have known the writer of this paper for a great many years, and I know him to be an active and industrious and diligent student of history, and this paper, I think, is a type of the kind of paper that this Society wants. It shows most diligent and unusual research. That must be apparent to you all and you must all, I think, appreciate the labour that Mr. Green has put into this paper. I should also like to call your attention to a recent publication of Mr. Green's, a work of fiction, entitled 'Lincoln at Bay.' I think almost every statement in that book is based on historical fact, and it displays an extraordinary amount of industry and research.

"The manuscripts of Sir William Johnson have recently been published in three large volumes by the State of New York. These volumes contain an immense amount of information as to the origin of the first settlers of this Province, that is, the Loyalists that came from New York, and I think this Society should make an effort to obtain that publication."

The Secretary: "We have it."

General Cruikshank: "It will enable students of these matters to continue their researches with a great deal more ease than in the past."

Prof. D. A. McArthur, of Queen's University, followed next with a valuable paper entitled "The Ontario Historical Society and the Teaching of Canadian History," in which he contended that local history should be given more prominence in the public schools, and that it should be the initial instruction which pupils should receive in history. This paper brought forth an interesting discussion, in which all who took part voiced their approval of the suggestion that history should be made more interesting by dealing more intimately with the lives of the people. The paper appears in Vol. 21 of "Papers and Records."

Mr. James Mitchell said: "May I express my personal pleasure at the high character of the papers we have been having, and I think that when read through the Province they should help a good deal in this work. I am wondering whether any of our historical societies have been trying to encourage the study of Canadian history, possibly by the way of offering a prize—it need not be very large. Some of you could make a good sight better use of some of your funds than you are doing by offering a prize to school pupils for essays on Canadian history. This idea of local history study, I think, is most excellent. I am going to offer two or three prizes in our schools for essays on Dr. Dunlop and his early work in the Huron tract. Cannot our local societies work out a plan by which they

will stimulate the study of Canadian history among the schools in some such way?"

General Cruikshank said: "I feel that we owe a special vote of thanks to my friend Professor McArthur with whom I have had a long acquaintance. He has contributed to this Society a paper which should make us think. Professor McArthur has struck the right keynote in this matter, and he has favoured us with his presence. I must say that as far as my recollection goes, the professors of Canadian history, the instructors of the teachers of history, have very rarely attended the meetings of this Society, or paid any attention to this Society whatever. They seem to think that societies of this sort are more 'hysterical' than historical. I dare say there is some foundation for it.

"There is a tendency to neglect the truth of history, the accuracy of history, plain matter-of-fact things that people ought to know. We want too much to tell the world what a wonderful people we are and what a wonderful people we are to be. It is all right to think that, and to make up our minds to become that, but we should try to get an accurate view of history. Unless history is accurate it is worse than worthless, and above all don't let us propagate error, don't let us repeat the mistakes of those who have gone before us and accept any statement simply because we find it in a printed book."

Miss Mickle said: "I want to say that I think we should present history in a picturesque way. I do not mean that we should not agree with all the statements of General Cruikshank. It has been my misfortune once to have a paper from a professor and there were such statements in it that we had to tone it down. The early settlers of Ontario were represented as being men of the lower type. Colonel Denison was not there or there might have been serious trouble. Let us emphasize the fact that many men and women came to this country in humble circumstances when everything was very primitive."

Mrs. Ashton, of Ottawa, said: "Recently I was speaking with Her Excellency, when she spoke of the fact that so many of our early settlers were of humble origin. I was taken aback and I do not think I handled the situation as I should. We should remember that our early settlers had courage and perseverance and religious qualities. I wish to second the resolution of thanks."

The Chairman: "I hope the historical societies in the future will devote more time to see that there is more teaching of local history in the public schools."

The resolution of thanks to Professor McArthur was adopted.

W. H. Breithaupt, C.E., followed next with a paper on "Dundas Street and Other Early Upper Canada Roads" in which he gave much information on the first roads in the Province. The paper, which showed much original research, is printed in full in Vol. 21 of the Society's "Papers and Records."

The Secretary said: "We have not covered half the papers offered to us. There are a number of others equally valuable, and some which came to us after the programme was issued. Justice Riddell sent us four papers after it had been printed. We have had over thirty papers on the list for our meeting. We will have to double the size of our volume to cover these properly."

The meeting was then adjourned.

APPENDIX I.

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

It affords us great pleasure to express the satisfaction that we feel in being able to meet again in Kingston, which has so many items of interest connected with the history of Canada, and buildings of historic interest. Since the Society met in Kingston in 1907, sixteen years ago, this Province, the Dominion of Canada and the world at large have passed through a most important period of existence.

The reports of the secretary and the treasurer contain the details of the work of the Society's year. It remains only for me to say that, having inspected the minute book and found the minutes duly recorded as published, I confirmed them with my signature as instructed by resolution.

ROWLAND B. ORR,
President.

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT, 1922-23.

With the close of this year's work, the twenty-fifth year since reorganization under a revised constitution, the Society completes a quarter-century of continuous executive effort and thirty-five years of existence. The assembling of the annual meeting on this occasion in Kingston, to which so many historic associations belong, cannot fail to create a wider interest in the history of this Province. The foremost place held by Kingston in the historical field, and the great number of public institutions in this Province which have had their inception here, are outstanding facts with which the devotees of the history of our country are daily familiar; and when we meet in the midst of the scenes themselves, to review some of the events in a few passing hours, we grant to ourselves a privilege the value of which it would be hard to overestimate.

The official year just closing has witnessed several events of the most momentous importance to the Society—some beneficial, others detrimental. And the magnitude of these events makes it necessary to discuss them in full detail. They will naturally fall under the usual five subdivisions under which it is again our duty to review the work of the year in this report.

MEMBERSHIP.

Since the annual meeting held at this time last year, sixty-two new members have joined the Society; but of this number, thirty-two may be said to belong to the preceding year, having been derived from the work of that year, which a printers' strike delayed, as will be remembered, and thus they are counted financially in the present year's accessions to membership.

There have been five deaths of members this year as follows: Frank Darling, LL.D., and James Haywood, both of Toronto; John F. Langan, F.R.G.S.,

Stratford; Frank E. Leonard, London; and Dr. John R. Stone, Parry Sound. There have been four resignations. The death on March 5th, 1923, of the Very Rev. Dean Harris, who attended our annual gathering at Port Dover last year, was a great loss to the cause of Canadian history.

(Since this was written, information of the deaths of Sir John S. Hendrie, Benjamin Sulte, LL.D., J. Castell Hopkins, F.S.S., and Sir Wm. R. Meredith has come to hand.)

Notwithstanding the considerable increase in new members, it is difficult to make headway toward a larger total, because the deaths, the members who drop out by resignation, and those who are removed from the list from natural causes, balance the accessions to membership. The numbers at this date now consist of: 323 annual, 51 ex-officio, 15 delegate, 6 honorary, 6 corresponding and 2 life—making a total of 403.

While the list of paid-up annual members is double of what it was in the years before the Great War, persons of even average means could yet be more helpful to the Society by taking membership in it; and so, under the head of finance (see *infra*) the secretary is proposing a slight alteration in the regulations to overcome the present difficulties.

PUBLICATIONS.

During the year the Society issued the annual report for 1922 of 61 pages, and also Vol. XX of the "Papers and Records" series, containing in 184 pages, 14 papers, as follows:

The Exploring Expedition of Dollier and Galinée in 1669-70. Brig.-Gen. E. A. Cruikshank.

The County of Norfolk in the War of 1812. Brig.-Gen. E. A. Cruikshank.

Some Letters of Robert Nichol. Brig.-Gen. E. A. Cruikshank.

The Dollier-Galinée Expedition, 1669-70. Jas. H. Coyne, LL.D.

Turkey Point, or Charlotteville. H. B. Donly.

When the "Plain Speaker's" Type Was Pied. H. F. Gardiner, M.A.

Some Events in the Life of Capt. Joseph Brant Not Generally Noticed. Miss Augusta I. G. Gilkison.

The Normandale Furnace, 1829—Lieutenant-Governor John Graves Simcoe. Frank E. Leonard.

Normandale and the Van Normans. Senator Alex. McCall.

The Founding of Three Military Settlements in Eastern Ontario—Perth, Lanark and Richmond, 1815-18. Brig.-Gen. E. A. Cruikshank. (Playter).

Vittoria, the Old Capital of London District, 1816-27. Frank Reid.

The Ancaster "Bloody Assize" of 1814. Hon. Wm. Renwick Riddell.

Thomas Scott, the Second Attorney-General of Upper Canada. Hon. Wm. Renwick Riddell.

Port Ryerse; Its Harbour and Former Trade. George J. Ryerse.

In the same volume (XX) there was also published an Index of the first twenty volumes of the "Papers and Records" series. As this Index furnishes many interesting facts about the work of the Society's contributors during the quarter of a century since the inception of the series, the secretary has added



NORMAL SCHOOL BUILDING, TORONTO,
in which the headquarters and collections of the Society have been located
for a quarter of a century (since 1898).



THE SOCIETY'S WELL-FILLED SINGLE ROOM IN WAR TIME.

to the general programme of this meeting a paper on the subject, which he may read if time permits. (It is printed immediately following this report.)

In addition to the regular publications above mentioned, Dr. Rowland B. Orr, the president, who is also the director of the Provincial Museum, generously sent his annual archaeological report (33rd) to the members.

Brigadier-General E. A. Cruikshank placed the manuscript of Governor Simcoe's correspondence with the Society on August 29th last. Work upon Volume I has gone forward, the final proofs read, and the printing of it has been completed. It will not be advisable to increase the membership fee, under present conditions, so it has been decided to sell the book at \$1.00 a volume, a small price for so large and valuable a work, being scarcely as much as the actual cost of its mechanical production. This low figure places it within reach of every one. In this way, during the year just closing, the Society has taken an important step toward the publication of some part of the great wealth of historical material in manuscript form in which this country abounds. The work consists of the official correspondence of Lieutenant-Governor Simcoe, interspersed with extracts and documents from many quarters, from both British and United States sources, which bear upon the letters and throw some light upon them. All these were selected with care and copied without compensation by General Cruikshank who has added many valuable footnotes. Cradled in a condition of military infancy, as this Province actually was, it is fortunate that a military authority of General Cruikshank's attainments has supervised the Simcoe correspondence for publication. Some particulars of the work will shortly appear in a circular, which will be mailed to members, with a blank form for re-mailing subscriptions; and in the general programme the secretary has inserted a brief paper relating to this important work, in which various further facts about it are mentioned. (These are partly printed immediately following this report.)

The production of the Society's publications being carried on at a minimum of cost, and much of the literary work done gratuitously by its many patrons, successive Governments of the Province have found it to be a worthy object for the bestowal of assistance. It is felt therefore that we should again express, in behalf of all historical workers, our deep obligations to the Government, the Minister of Education and the Deputy Minister for the generous support which they have given the Society's publishing enterprises. It has enabled the Society to place publications on the history of the Province before the public at very low prices.

THE LIBRARY.

There has been further increase this year in the accessions to the Library, due to the improved facilities for the better shelving of books and other material, added two years ago, and to having the use of a fire-proof vault. The Library has received during the year 627 books, 810 pamphlets and a corresponding number of minor prints, engravings, maps, newspapers and clippings, photographs, manuscripts, etc.,. One of our patrons who was sorting his library and eliminating some of the duplicates, alone brought in to us more than 150 books and 50 pamphlets, nearly all of which are Canadian historical publications.

It is worthy of note that four-fifths of the material we receive throughout the year relates to Canada. Amongst this year's accessions may be mentioned a set of Charlevoix, six volumes, in the Paris edition of 1744, histories of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, and the Dominion Bank, the Papers of Sir Wm. Johnson, recently printed, and a collection of coloured views of places in Ontario in 1840-41. The binding of many volumes is needed, if we are to keep pace with growing conditions, and further shelving will be needed within the next few months.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

The financial transactions for the year, in detail, appear in the treasurer's statement, and a statement in detail of the minor expenses of the office also accompanies this report. As an index of increasing public interest in the class of work which the Society is doing, the sales of publications of former years have been larger this year than heretofore, amounting to \$66.00. The Society's year closes with a balance of \$601.90, after paying for the work of the year. This balance is less than that of last year, a typewriting machine and other items having been purchased, the outlays for which have increased our property in hand by the amount of the difference in balances. The Museum Fund has increased from \$635.81 to \$663.56. In the savings bank account for this fund there was an accumulation from interest coupons, and agreeably to the instructions of the Finance Subcommittee, an additional sum was invested in Dominion of Canada bonds for \$100 at $5\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., making a total of \$650 now invested in bonds.

Notwithstanding that the finances appear to be in a satisfactory condition, the receipts for the year from membership fees have decreased in comparison with former years, which may be due, in part at least, to some industrial and financial depression, said to be world-wide. But it must be mainly attributed to faulty regulations. We have been putting the cart before the horse, as it were. Hitherto it has been held that the securing of membership, whether by purchase at a dollar a year, or as a representative of some affiliated society, or as an ex-officio member, entitles a person to the year's volume of "Papers and Records," whereas it should be the rule that the purchase of the volume should entitle the person to membership. And now that the Simcoe volume will not be distributed on the basis of membership, but upon actual payment of the price of the volume, which has been fixed at an extremely low figure, and the price printed on the title page, the time is ripe for readjusting the rule respecting the annual volume of "Papers and Records" likewise. And further, it would be advisable to give the privileges of membership in the Society to any one who purchases a copy of the Simcoe publication. Without any increase in the membership fee, therefore, or any material change, the same way of transacting business can be adopted in the case of the "Papers and Records" series, and the price of \$1.00 printed on the title page, as in the case of the Simcoe series. By this means a material increase in the cash receipts will be effected, and at the same time make progress in disseminating historical literature, and keeping alive the public interest in the history of the Province.

While the giving of Government historical publications gratis to everybody diminishes the Society's chances of making larger sales and thereby increasing its cash receipts, as the Society thus enters into direct competition with free distribution, yet, in the production of the larger output of literature, as has taken place this year, the officers and members of the Society owe their grateful acknowledgments to the Department of Education and the Government. Had it not been for the Government undertaking the printing, \$100 in sales tax alone would have had to be paid by the Society on what it has printed this year. At the same time, it may be possible for the Government to arrange a uniform system by which all the historical publications may be placed on an equal footing.

AFFILIATED SOCIETIES AND COLLATERAL INSTITUTIONS.

A new society has been formed at Stratford, and its affiliation has been applied for as the Stratford and Perth County Historical Society. The affiliated societies have sent reports for this year as usual. There appears to be a further decrease in the publications issued by them, perhaps because of the increase in the cost of printing, or else they fail to send us their printed material so that we can see what they are doing. The way is always open, of course, for local societies to print only local material, and to send their papers of interest for the Province in general to the Ontario Historical Society to be included in its annual volume and to receive in exchange therefor offprints for their own members. Nearly every year we print some material that has been received in this way, and this year half a dozen of the papers appearing in the list for the forthcoming volume are of this class, i.e., received from local societies. Some of the local societies are showing commendable activity in other lines of work, such as museum-forming, public meetings, scrap-book making, etc.

In the month of April, Mr. W. O. Carson of the Department of Education, who has charge of the grants to historical and other societies, requested the names of those societies which are affiliated with the Ontario Historical Society. The information which the secretary was able to supply him with may be instructive to every one concerned, and is submitted herewith: Forty societies have been affiliated since the beginning, of which sixteen do not now report to us in any way, and are believed to be defunct, or have only nominal existence. Most of the remaining twenty-four report to us, although some of them do not report every year, but that number is believed to be more or less active. It would appear to be the intention of the Department of Education to introduce a more systematic method of apportioning grants to the local societies, based upon what they are actually doing.

At the last session of the Legislature, an Act was introduced and placed on the statute book respecting the Bureau of Archives of Ontario. The Bill was a government measure, but it entirely ignored the historical societies, which were chartered also by the Legislature, by special act, to do general historical research work, some years prior to the formation of the Archives Bureau. Until the recent session of the Legislature, that Bureau had operated only under an Order-in-Council. Finding that the Bill ignored completely the existing rights

of this Historical Society and its colleague societies, and spread the work of the Bureau over the entire field of historical work, unofficial as well as official, the secretary made a strong protest to members of the late Government regarding this measure. There was not enough time in which to call any meeting of the Council or Society, but the secretary's course was approved by the president and the heads of the executive subcommittees to whom he speedily referred the matter at the time. Notwithstanding the protest, the measure passed without amendment.

In making this protest respecting an outstanding event of the year in our own line of work, the motive was not to dispute any rights the Provincial Government might choose to exercise in the much needed work of historical research; but so great has been the need for co-ordination and co-operation in effort amongst those agencies that now exist, that the Bill in its adopted form only aggravates the existing evils, and the mistake cannot be emphasized too strongly.

Division of labour is the first lesson the beginner learns in economics—in political economy, in social economy, in domestic economy and in every other kind of economy. Everyone is familiar with Adam Smith's well-known example of the making of a pin, and the advantage that division, or specialization, of labour has in its production. More production is always possible by specializing, and at smaller cost. So amongst historical workers there should be co-ordination toward this end, as in everything else, and this is possible when a spirit of brotherhood prevails. It would save largely in expense, and could be accomplished without centralization by anybody. Again and again this question of overexpenditure by duplication of work, with lack of system for co-operation and co-ordination, comes up for consideration, but the grievance continues to flourish. And when a cry arises for more economy, and curtailment in expenses must come, too often the activities are curtailed which are least in error.

The Ontario Bureau of Archives began in 1903 as a result of representations made by officers of this Ontario Historical Society, especially by the late Dr. C. C. James, who was then president of the Society, on the need for better care of the official records. Its formation left the historical societies solely with the care of the civilian or unofficial historical material, and thus made a proper, clear-cut division which almost everyone can understand. But the new Act of 1923 spreads the work of the Ontario Archivist over the unofficial, as well as the official, material, which was not a part of the original intention, which looked toward a proper division of labour. It amounts to an expensive measure of state socialism by which the history of Ontario is to be compiled by an official Bureau, which does not recognize civilian effort. In so far as it was desirable to co-ordinate the work of caring for official and for unofficial records, in order to avoid overlapping, there would be less objection on the part of historical societies to being subject to the valid decisions of a Board of some kind, for the purpose, and it would be a more tolerable provision for the present unsatisfactory situation, rather than submission to one man.

CONCLUSION.

For the many benefactions, both large and small, which the Society has received during the year in behalf of all historical workers, the officers are thankful, and herewith tender their grateful acknowledgments. And to all those who have made donations to the Library, contributions to the publications, or have otherwise assisted its aims, the thanks of the Society are cordially tendered.

A. F. HUNTER,
Secretary.

(Some further notes on the Society's publications during the year are herewith appended.)

NOTES ON

THE SOCIETY'S PUBLICATIONS, 1922-3.

THE CORRESPONDENCE OF LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR SIMCOE,
WITH ALLIED DOCUMENTS.

The publication by this Society of "The Correspondence of Lieutenant-Governor John Graves Simcoe, with Allied Documents Relating to His Administration of the Government of Upper Canada, Collected and Edited by Brigadier-General E. A. Cruikshank, LL.D., F.R.S.C.," marks the beginning of an epoch, the importance of which gives the work a claim to more than a passing notice. Volume one has been printed and is already in circulation at the small price of \$1.00 per volume. It contains xv+443 pages, with maps, complete index and many explanatory notes.

While a few of Simcoe's letters had previously seen the light, having been printed in various places, of those which had thus been printed, there had been variations in the texts, as every one will understand who is familiar with literature derived from copied manuscripts of a former period. But the greater part of the Simcoe correspondence is now printed from the manuscripts for the first time. The advantage of the present work, therefore, is that the letters are now in a fairly complete and collected form, retaining the orthography of the period in which they were written, and with the literary work of a good standard. The percentage of error can be readily assumed to be extremely small. The footnotes show a large amount of labour in their preparation, and from them we can derive, more easily than from any encyclopaedic sources, brief biographies of the men of that period who were conspicuous in the drama of public affairs with which the letters deal.

The "Correspondence" opens a new mine of information concerning the first years of Upper Canada, which has great historical value. It is a history, in documents, of the origin and the first years of the Province, and throws new light on its birth, and especially, in the first volume just issued, on such vital questions as the war of the western Indians with the United States, the interests of the fur traders, who were mostly British, the keeping of the lake posts until

the new republic would give justice to the Loyalists, and other knotty questions. It also shows the condition of international politics, and even domestic politics and events of the time, the opening up of the roads and industries of the Province, and the influence of the war between Great Britain and France. While one sometimes encounters in the letters a starched and conventional tone, taken altogether they are of great interest, even to a general reader.

SOME FEATURES OF THE FIRST TWENTY VOLUMES OF "PAPERS AND RECORDS,"
SHOWN BY THE INDEX JUST ISSUED.

The late Dr. C. C. James, when Deputy Minister of Agriculture for Ontario (a department which then, as it does now, included the Ontario Bureau of Industries), published as an appendix to the Report of that Bureau for 1896, a compilation of historical monographs called "Papers and Records"; at least the compilation bore that name on the covers of the bound copies. The Honourable (afterward Sir) Geo. W. Ross shortly afterward declined to permit, in the series of reports, the printing of what did not strictly relate to industries, and the name "Papers and Records" was then transferred to the new publication started soon afterward by the Ontario Historical Society, the first volume of which appeared in 1899 after the Society had become incorporated and had received its first grant of \$500 for the purpose of publishing historical material. In this way the present series appears to have obtained the name which Dr. James, who was active in the new organization, had given its predecessor in the Bureau of Industries.

The first four volumes of the series belonged to what might be called the formative period, and presented a variety of types of production, two of the volumes (Nos. 2 and 4) being monographs by Mr. L. H. Tasker and Dr. Jas. H. Coyne respectively. The next following four volumes, (viz., Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 8) showed still further the constructive efforts and the guiding hand of the late Dr. C. C. James. No. 8 appeared in 1907, and then the Society fell upon some indifferent days, for the next volume (No. 9) did not come out for three years afterward (1910) and the succeeding one (No. 10) not until 1913, another stride of three years. Since then a volume has appeared annually, although one year (1921) is not in evidence, a printers' strike having belated the series by a few weeks, so that the time of the year in which the publication appeared was changed.

The Index just issued in Volume 20 covers 237 different articles in the first twenty volumes in the series. It seems to be fitting that, on this occasion, the present secretary, who has assisted 118 of those articles (or one-half of the total number) into print in an editorial capacity or otherwise, should rehearse the outstanding features of the volumes, and give the impressions they have left upon him, especially because the editorial work and indexing offered suggestions that may be of some interest and value to future workers.

The collection of 237 articles is the product of 168 different authors, a large majority of whom are deceased—many of them, indeed, had passed away before their productions appeared as contributions to the historical literature of this Province in the pages of "Papers and Records."

This Index gives some idea of the wealth of historical material which this country possesses, and the richness of the field of Canadian history. In this respect the field proves equally interesting, if not more so, in comparison with every other similar area in the world, and naturally to ourselves more interesting than to others.

The Index shows too the productions of the group of people and their coadjutors who have been foremost in the work for which the Ontario Historical Society was founded, and shows, incidentally, the outstanding features of the history of the Province as these people viewed it.

Biography is well represented in the series, in sketches both brief and extended, but articles on early travel in this Province, i.e., itineraries of early journeys through it, are less abundant.

Registers of baptisms, marriages and burials of the earliest settlers are quite numerous, especially in the earliest volumes of the series. They include twenty different marriage registers, twelve of which date before the War of 1812. These records of vital statistics amongst the pioneers occupy a considerable part of the earlier volumes, but while historically valuable, they did not afford interesting material for general readers. In course of time the authors of discursive articles offered their manuscripts more frequently for publication than at the first, and eventually these, which are generally interesting productions, increased and the registers withdrew into the background and became less abundant. By the year 1912 the discursive articles were in excess of what the Society could print with the financial conditions then prevailing. The Great War came, and a halt in literary production was the consequence, during which period it became possible to "catch up" in printing with the literary output, as the Society had to continue to issue a publication annually, although two of the numbers (Nos. 15 and 16) were necessarily reduced to a merely nominal size. Of late years the manuscripts offered have rapidly increased and have become more numerous than before.

The United Empire Loyalists' Association issued in its publications many valuable historical articles in their special branch of the work, and this made lighter the burden the Ontario Historical Society would have had if it had been obliged to assume the charge of that subject. Incidentally, however, there is a fair representation of articles in the pages of "Papers and Records" relating to that first, and all important, period of the history of this Province, there being a dozen articles relating to the Loyalists.

Another dozen articles relate to the War of 1812. These cover a variety of phases of the War and are exceptionally valuable studies. While the articles relating to the Rebellion of 1837 do not exceed half a dozen in number, the material gathered into them is abundant and valuable.

Archaeological research is pursued by the Provincial Museum in the same building in which this Society has its headquarters, and for some years past Dr. Rowland B. Orr, the director of the Museum, has generously sent his annual reports to our members. For the foregoing reason, archaeology is less represented in the pages of "Papers and Records" than would otherwise have been the case; but a dozen papers or more appear on the Indians. But the early fur trade amongst the Indians of Ontario, which contained all the hinterland wilderness—the

scenes of Lord Selkirk's earliest efforts at colonizing, and the stronghold of his opponents (the North-West Fur Company)—is almost entirely unrepresented and unnamed. Some unpublished material on this important feature could doubtless have been found, and would have been interesting.

For the reasons just referred to in connection with the fur trade amongst the aboriginal peoples, it may be worth while to dwell here with some fullness upon the important place of the aborigines in the early history of the Province,—indeed, its most outstanding feature. During the whole period of the British régime in Ontario, there has never been an Indian war. The only instance of this kind in the Province—the war between the Iroquois and the Hurons, with the French as partners of the latter—occurred a century before the British period began. In this particular, Ontario, under British rule, holds a unique record in the management of its aboriginal races, although there are a few minor similarities in the records of other countries also under the protection of Great Britain, which has the largest number of colonies of any existing nation.

Coinciding with this remarkable record of Ontario, and doubtless the cause of the characteristic, there arose a unique set of men to whom its immunity from war was mainly due. The class of men alluded to appeared concurrently with the British foundation and growth of Ontario—the Indian agents, interpreters and confidential advisers both of the Government and of the Indians—the successors of Sir William Johnson. This class included such men as Colonel Alexander McKee, Colonel John Butler, Sir John Johnson, Major Gilbert Tice, Captain Matthew Elliott, Colonel James Givens, George Cowan, the trader and interpreter, St. John Rousseau, the trader and interpreter, William Johnston, the interpreter of Buffalo Creek, Robert Dickson, the merchant adventurer or fur trader but mainly an Indian superintendent, John Johnston of Sault Ste. Marie, Simon Girty, the interpreter for the Wyandots, Guillaume La Mothe of Michillimackinac, Chevalier de Lorimier of Caughnawaga, Captain T. G. Anderson, William Solomon, the interpreter of Michillimackinac—and many others might be named. Although extension of trade and commerce was the avowed motive for British peace with the aborigines, and savoured of monetary lucre which ascetic rigour describes as filthy, yet is not this better than war? If conciliatory methods had been adopted, the half-breed rebellion of 1885 in the North-West Canadian Provinces, which did not affect Ontario Indians, could doubtless have been avoided.

There is scarcely any class of men in any other state or country corresponding to this numerous group in Ontario. A few of them have left some literary memorials, but unfortunately not many. As an outcome of this attention to the aborigines, there afterward emerged a unique group of native literary people—such writers as Peter Jones of the Mississagas, Peter Dooyentate Clark of the Wyandots, Francis Assikinack of the Ottawas, George Copway of the Ojibways, and Pauline Johnson of the Six Nations. These were no less remarkable, being Indians, than the former corps of interpreters, who were white men; both were peculiar to Ontario, and the native, aboriginal writers of Ontario are not resembled by full-blood aborigines elsewhere or even by the mixed races.

Still further, the book-writing fur-traders were unique. These included Alexander Henry—two of that name, both entertaining writers. There was

also John Long, the trader and interpreter of an earlier date than those above-mentioned. He lived as a trader at the site of Port Hope for some time, and his book, published first in 1791, contained the use of the term "totem" from which afterward, through the work of Latham and other British ethnologists, came the first use of "totemism" as one of the fundamental principles in the modern science of sociology. In this connection also we should not omit the names of David Thompson, Simon Fraser, Sir Alex. Mackenzie, William Simpson, George Gordon, and other literary fur-traders, all more or less connected with the early days of Ontario.

Examples of other ways of conducting relations with the aborigines, and of hasty actions and methods in the treatment of Indians, are not difficult to find. We do not have to go further than our next neighbour to find a very different order of things. The national record of the United States in regard to Indians has been quite different from ours. When one compares the unique record of Upper and Lower Canada with that of the United States, he finds two very distinct methods. In the history of the United States, and prominent as one of its leading features, one finds a long list of noted Indian fighters, beginning with Captain Benjamin Church, the chief leader against King Philip and his Pokanokets. There followed Indian fighters such as Generals Harmer, Sinclair, Anthony Wayne, Wm. Henry Harrison ("Old Tippecanoe"), Phil' Sheridan, Miles and Custer, and the more modern contingent of Jim Beckwith, Buffalo Bill and Mountain Jim, nearly all of whom had some experience in the "punishment" of Indians. In the United States the course generally pursued was to compel the red man to make way for the white man; while the Canadian system provided reserves for their use—a system that was adopted in the United States more slowly than in Canada, and to a more limited extent when numbers are taken into consideration.

Upon various occasions, success having been on the side of the U.S. troops against the Indians, the remnants of tribes passed over to Canadian territory and in most cases remained here. And Ontario actually became, in its earlier years, the haven of refuge for many of the fugitive tribes—the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinté, the Six Nations of the Grand River, the Shawnees and Muncieys of the Thames, Zeisberger's Delawares, the Pottawatomies from Michigan after the Black Hawk war, the Fire Nation of Upper Michigan, and some bands of Sioux beyond Lake Superior. Some of these tribes were led by chiefs of outstanding ability, like Brant and Tecumseh, neither of whom was a native of Canadian soil.

Besides the absence of material on the fur-trading period, which has been mentioned, greatly important as it is in the history of Ontario, there has been, speaking generally, an omission of eighteenth century events. Coming down to the opposite extreme of time, viz., to material relating to the recent Great War, which has been so abundant a feature in U.S. journals, it is as yet entirely absent from the pages of "Papers and Records."

Counties not visited in the course of the annual meetings, are not so well represented in the printed pages as those which have received visits. And articles on concrete matters—persons and places—preponderate over those which deal with abstract or philosophical topics.

Lengthy compilations and finely spun literary productions, such as we often see in the historical quarterlies, are not much in evidence in "Papers and Records"; and some time may elapse before there is public wealth in Ontario to produce the same class of historical literature as we see produced in some of the richer adjoining states. But it is scarcely equal to the spontaneous productions of the people themselves, such as those of Ontario as they are found in the pages of "Papers and Records." The output of material in the twenty volumes, as shown by the Index, will ultimately speak for itself.

OFFICE EXPENSES, 1922-23.

			\$	c.
1922				
June	30	Postage, June.....	12	13
July	11	1 box pens.....		65
"	19	Conference of Historical Societies.....	1	00
"	31	Postage, July.....	9	80
Aug.	9	1 letter file.....		50
"	22	1 box envelopes, etc.....	1	15
"	31	Postage, August.....	9	15
Sept.	30	" September.....	9	12
Oct.	31	" October.....	11	30
Nov.	30	" November.....	10	18
Dec.	14	Cartage of books.....	1	00
"	27	Conference of Historical Societies.....	1	00
"	31	Postage, December.....	12	42
1923				
Jan.	25	4 war books (Resolution of Council, March 12, 1920)		90
"	27	4 war books " " " " "		60
"	31	Postage, January.....	11	40
Feb.	7	Filing Annual Summary, Provincial Secretary.....	1	00
"	7	2 war books (Resolution of Council, March 12, 1920)		50
"	28	2 war books " " " " "	2	00
"	28	Postage, February.....	10	70
Mar.	16	Cartage to Post Office.....	1	25
"	19	Cartage of maps.....		75
"	31	Postage, March.....	11	55
Apr.	3	Ontario Library Association, membership fee.....	2	00
"	7	1 ream typewriter paper.....	1	75
"	30	Postage, April.....	10	20
May	9	1 box envelopes.....	1	00
"	29	Express to Ottawa.....	1	35
"	31	Postage, May.....	9	65
			146	00

EXCHANGES.

Canada.	Books. Pamphlets.	
Canadian Archives, Ottawa.....	1	
Canadian Military Institute, Toronto.....	1	
Canadian National Parks Commission, Ottawa.....		4
Edwards, Major J. Plimsoll, Halifax, N.S.....	1	5
Grenville Historical Society, Prescott.....		1
McGill University, Montreal.....	2	
Niagara Historical Society.....	1	2
Ontario Land Surveyors' Association, Toronto.....	1	
Quebec (Province) Archives, Quebec.....	1	
Quebec Literary and Historical Society, Quebec.....	1	
Queen's Quarterly, Kingston (Vol. 30).....	1	
Robinson, Austin, Toronto.....	6	
Royal Society of Canada, Ottawa (Vol. 16, etc.).....	1	1
Thunder Bay Historical Society (No. 13).....		2
Toronto, University of, Library (Vol. 3).....	1	
U. E. Loyalists' Association, Toronto.....	4	18
Waterloo Historical Society, Kitchener (No. 10).....		1
White, A. V., Toronto.....	2	
Women's Canadian Historical Society of Ottawa.....		1
Women's Canadian Historical Society of Toronto.....		2
Worden, J. C., Toronto.....	151	47
York Pioneers, Toronto.....		1
	175	85

United States.	Books. Pamphlets.	
Boston Public Library.....	4	1
Bureau of American Ethnology, Washington.....	8	
California, University of, Berkeley, Cal. (Vol. 24, etc.).....	3	1
Conference of Historical Societies.....		2
Congress, Library of, Washington, D.C. (Report, 1922).....	1	
Connecticut Historical Society, Hartford, Conn. (Vol. 20)....	1	2
Iowa, Historical Department of, Des Moines, Ia.....		4
Iowa State Historical Society, Iowa City, Ia. (Vol. 20).....	2	
Magazine Subject-Index, Boston, Mass.....	1	
Medford Historical Society, Medford, Mass. (Vol. 25).....	1	
Michigan Historical Commission, Lansing, Mich.....	3	1
Michigan, University of, General Library, Ann Arbor.....	3	
Minnesota Historical Society, St. Paul, Minn.....	1	6
New Hampshire Historical Society.....		1
New Jersey Historical Society, Newark, N.J. (Vol. 7, etc.)...	2	
New York Historical Society, New York, N.Y.....	5	
N.Y. Public Library, New York (Vol. 26).....	1	
N.Y. State Historical Association, Albany.....	1	

United States—*Continued.*

	Books. Pamphlets.	
N.Y. State University, Albany	5	
Ohio Archæological and Historical Society, Columbus (Vol. 31)	2	
Rhode Island Historical Society (Vol. 15)	1	
Smith College, Northampton, Mass.	2	
Texas State Historical Association, Austin, Tex. (Vol. 26) . . .	2	1
University of North Dakota, University, N.D.	2	
Washington (State) Historical Quarterly, Seattle (Vol. 13) . .	1	
Western Reserve Historical Society, Cleveland, O.		2
Wisconsin Historical Society, Madison, Wis.	1	
Wyoming Historical and Geological Society, Wilkesbarre, Pa. .	1	
	55	21

British and Foreign.

	Books.
Gauthier-Villars et Cie., Paris	1
Kungl. Vit. Historie och Antik. Akademien, Stockholm, Sweden	2
Royal Colonial Institute, London, Eng. (Vol. 12)	1
Royal Geog. Society of Australasia	2

DONATIONS.

Canadian Publications.

	Books. Pamphlets.	
Canadian Bank of Commerce, Toronto	2	1
Canadian Bureau of Statistics, Ottawa		1
Canadian Government, Ottawa	1	
Carstairs, Capt. J. S., Toronto	6	55
Clark, A. J., Maple		1
Cruikshank, Brig.-Gen. E. A., Ottawa		20
Dominion Bank, Toronto	1	
Duff, L. B., Welland		1
Eames, Donald F., Toronto	1	
Ewart, John S., K.C., Ottawa		1
French, F. J., K.C., Prescott		2
Gardiner, H. F., Hamilton	1	
Green, Ernest, Ottawa		1
Historic Sites and Monuments Board, Ottawa		8
Kingston Historical Society, Kingston		3
Leonard, F. E., London (deceased)	1	
McGregor, Mrs. D., Toronto	2	4
Miscellaneous	306	470
Ontario Government Publication (Dept. of Labour)	2	
Orr, Dr. Rowland B., Toronto	3	120
Public Libraries Branch, Education Dept., Ontario	1	

Canadian Publications—*Continued.*

	Books.	Pamphlets.
Q & R Publishers, Toronto.....	1	
Riddell, Hon. Justice W. R., Toronto.....		7
Ryerse, Geo. J., Simcoe.....		2
Sault Ste. Marie Historical Society.....		2
Thompson, Mrs. E. J., Niagara-on-the-Lake.....	1	
Toronto Public Library.....		1
Trinity College, Toronto.....	1	
Wentworth Historical Society, Hamilton.....		1
	330	701

United States Publications.

Burton Historical Collection, Detroit Public Library.....	1	
Laidlaw, Lt.-Col. Geo. E., Kirkfield.....		1
MacCallum, G. A., M.D., Baltimore, Md.....		1
Miscellaneous.....	60	
Wilkesbarre, Pa., (Wyoming Commemorative Association)...		1
	61	3

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Society has also received the following:

ANDREW BRAID, WINDSOR.—Copy of the Windsor (Border Cities) "Star," of June 9, 1923, containing Life of Colonel John Prince.

CARSTAIRS, J. S., B.A., TORONTO.—MS. copy of Record of Embarkation Overseas, at Halifax, N.S., of troops of the C.E.F., January 8, 1915 to November 27, 1917. Also other MSS.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, OTTAWA.—Standard Topographical Map of Canada (3.95 miles to an inch), Quebec and Sherbrooke sheets. Also, the Okanagan, Victoria and Vancouver Island sheets of the Standard map (7.89 miles to an inch.)

GILKISON, MISS A. I. G., BRANTFORD.—Picture post cards (historical subjects), pamphlets, historical clippings, and various prints.

GRIFFIN, JUSTUS A., HAMILTON.—Historical Calendar for 1923.

HAMILTON, BASIL G., INVERMERE, B.C.—Press notices of the David Thompson memorial at Lake Windermere, B.C.

LUNDY'S LANE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, NIAGARA FALLS.—Copy of the "Well and Tribune" of July 26, 1923, containing account of the dedication of the memorial at the Battlefield of Cook's Mills; also, copy of the Niagara Falls "Review" containing account of the Chippawa dedication on October 15.

MACDONALD, GEO. F., WINDSOR.—Photograph of painting of Fort Malden in 1812; also, photographs of Colonel Talbot's grave at Tyrconnell, Ontario, and the inscription on his gravestone.

MCQUESTEN, MISS M. B., HAMILTON.—Picture cards of historical places in Kingston.

MISCELLANEOUS. Manuscripts of historical value, letters, photographs, etc., from various sources.

SQUAIR, PROF. JOHN, TORONTO.—Copy of the "Canadian Statesman," Bowmanville, of July 26, 1923, with account of Ben Lett, the miscreant.

THOMPSON, MRS. E. J., NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE.—Copies of "Welland Tribune," including one of August 21, and St. Catharines "Standard" of August 22, 1923, containing accounts of the Fort George tablet and cairn dedication.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT, 1922-3.

Receipts.			\$	c.
1922				
June 22	Balance in hand.....		816	02
Aug. 28	Ontario Government Grants.....		1,000	00
Nov. 30	Interest on deposits.....		13	09
1923				
May 31	Interest on deposits.....		11	42
June 20	Members' fees and sales of publications.....		213	00
			2,053	53
Expenditures.			\$	c.
1922				
July 14	200 yearly subscription forms printed.....		4	00
" 14	400 notices to members printed and sales tax.....		6	45
" 14	600 4-page programmes (Simcoe meeting) printed		19	86
" 27	Stenographing parts of Port Dover and Simcoe meetings, with typewritten transcripts of same		30	00
Sept. 12	500 letterheads printed and sales tax.....		5	52
" 14	Expense re Seers collection of early Ontario views		20	00
Oct. 24	Customs duty, etc., on same.....		4	38
" 24	Charlevoix's works, 6 vols. (Paris, 1744)		20	00
Nov. 22	Engravings for 1922 publications.....		44	00
1923				
Mar 1	1,000 manilla envelopes (for publications) and printed.....		14	37
" 1	Postage on publications of 1922.....		48	00
" 5	500 envelopes and printed.....		3	25
" 5	200 receipt forms, printed.....		3	00
" 5	400 blank letter paper.....		1	00
April 10	Typewriting 16 pages.....		1	60
" 16	Multigraphing 375 letters.....		5	20
June 20	1 Empire Typewriting machine.....		75	00
	Secretary, salary.....		1,000	00
	Office expenses (see a/c of items)		146	00
	Balance in hand.....		601	90
Audited and found correct.			2,053	53

FRANK YEIGH,
W. A. McLEAN,
Auditors.

MUSEUM FUND, 1922-23.

Receipts.

1922					\$	c.
June	22	Can. Gov't War Bond, 3rd issue.....			500	00
"	22	" " " " S. No. H.....			50	00
"	22	Balance in bank a/c.....			85	81
Sept.	12	Interest on War Bond, Coupon No. 11.....			12	50
Nov.	1	" " " " " No. 6.....			1	37
"	30	Interest on deposits.....			1	33
1923						
Mar.	1	Interest on War Bond, Coupon No. 12.....			12	50
"	5	Can. Gov't War Bonds, 2 at \$50.....			100	00
May	4	Interest on 3 War Bonds, Coupons No. 7.....			4	14
"	31	Interest on deposits.....				81
					768	46

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1923			\$	c.
Mar. 5	Two Can. Gov't War Bonds purchased, with accrued interest on same		104	90
May 31	Can. Gov't War Bonds in hand		650	00
" 31	Balance in bank a/c		13	56
			768	46

Audited and found correct.

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COUNCIL MEETINGS.

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT KINGSTON, JULY 5TH, 1923,
AT 9 A.M.

Present: Dr. Rowland B. Orr, president; Brigadier-General E. A. Cruikshank, Lieutenant-Colonel A. E. Belcher, W. H. Breithaupt, Geo F. Macdonald, Jas. Mitchell and A. F. Hunter.

The reports prepared by the secretary and the treasurer on the work of the Society for the year were submitted. That of the treasurer was read and an extract from that of the secretary was also read. The reports were adopted and passed on to be read before the general meeting of the Society.

Application from the newly-formed Stratford and Perth County Historical Society for affiliation was laid before the meeting, and,

On motion by Mr. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Breithaupt, it was resolved that: Regular notice having been received by the secretary from the newly-formed Stratford and Perth County Historical Society of its formation and

also its application for affiliation with the Ontario Historical Society, the same be, and is hereby affiliated with the Ontario Historical Society.

Miss A. M. Machar of Kingston addressed the Council regarding the publication of a new brochure on Kingston. Many copies of her "Story of Old Kingston" had been destroyed by fire when the premises of the Musson Book Co. in Toronto had been burned. The matter was referred to the new council.

Mr. W. H. Breithaupt extended an invitation to the Society to meet in Kitchener next year, and the subject was also referred to the new council for action, when appointed.

The meeting was then adjourned.

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT KINGSTON, JULY 6TH, 1923,
AT 12 NOON.

Present: Dr. Orr, General Cruikshank, Messrs. Macdonald, Mitchell, Breithaupt and Hunter.

The appointment of standing sub-committees of the Council for the year was the first business. These sub-committees were chosen as follows:

FINANCE—The president, the secretary and the treasurer.

PRINTING AND EDITORIAL WORK—The president, the secretary, General E. A. Cruikshank and Fred Landon.

LIBRARY AND PROPERTY—Prof. Squair, the president, the secretary, the treasurer and Jas. Mitchell.

MEMBERSHIP—The president, the secretary and the treasurer.

SELECTION OF THE TIME AND PROGRAMME FOR THE NEXT ANNUAL MEETING—The president, the secretary and General Cruikshank.

In the matter of the annual meeting in 1924, on motion by Mr. Breithaupt, seconded by Mr. Macdonald, it was resolved to hold it in Kitchener.

The following were elected corresponding members:

Frank Cundall, The Institute of Jamaica, Kingston, Jamaica.

Rev. Dr. John Maclean, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

On motion by General Cruikshank, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, it was resolved that a committee of the Council as a whole deal with the secretary's proposals re membership and distribution of publications, and also Miss Machar's application, at 2 p.m.

The meeting was then adjourned.

On reassembling at 2 p.m., with Mrs. E. J. Ashton and Colonel Belcher present, in addition to the above-mentioned, the matter of the sale of the annual volume of "Papers and Records" was fully considered. The following resolution was then passed:

Resolved, that the distribution of "Papers and Records" be carried on by sale at \$1.00 per volume in future, and that the free distribution of "Papers and Records" be confined to regular annual and life members in good standing, who have prepaid their subscriptions.

In regard to Miss Machar's proposed publication, it was resolved that the secretary ascertain what will be its probable size and other particulars.

The meeting was then adjourned.

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Machar, Miss Agnes Maule (1917).

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 Farquharson, D. R., Kent Historical Society, Chatham.
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 Gaviller, Maurice, C.E., Huron Institute, (Collingwood).
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APPENDIX II.

REPORTS OF AFFILIATED SOCIETIES: (Alphabetically Arranged).

BRANT HISTORICAL SOCIETY (BRANTFORD).

(ORGANIZED MAY 11, 1908.)

Report for the year ending March 1, 1923.

Officers for year beginning March 1, 1923.

HONORARY PRESIDENTS—His Honour Lieutenant-Governor H. Cockshutt,
His Honour Judge A. D. Hardy.

PRESIDENT—R. W. E. McFadden, M.A.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—G. H. Muirhead.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—F. D. Reville.

SECRETARY—Jas. S. Rowe, 41 Lincoln Square.

HISTORIAN—S. F. Passmore, M.A.

TREASURER—E. R. Read, B.A., LL.B.

CURATOR—Reginald R. Whale.

MUSEUM COMMITTEE—Col. H. F. Leonard, Thos. Bingle, G. H. Williamson;
Reginald Whale, convenor.PROGRAMME COMMITTEE—The President, the Secretary, Miss A. I. G.
Gilkison, Rev. G. A. Woodside, M.A., D.D.

HARDY MEMORIAL—Rev. Dr. Woodside, Jas. S. Rowe.

DUNCAN MEMORIAL—Judge Hardy, Rev. Dr. Woodside, S. F. Passmore,
M.A.

HISTORICAL SITES—R. R. Whale, C. Thomas, S. F. Passmore.

REPRESENTATIVE ON BRANTFORD WAR MEMORIAL COMMITTEE—S. F.
Passmore, M.A.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand.....	\$290 55
Members' fees.....	11 00
Grant, Ontario Government.....	100 00
H. F. Leonard donation.....	5 00
Interest on deposits.....	13 49
	\$420 04

EXPENDITURES

Museum supplies and repairs.....	\$14 20
Advertising.....	6 38
Postage.....	2 50
Enlargements of historic photos.....	11 50
Delegates' expenses.....	13 80
Balance in hand.....	371 66

\$420 04

Number of members this year, 22; number of meetings held this year, 8.

JAMES S. ROWE,
Secretary.

During the year eight general meetings were held, and one open meeting at which Dr. Rowland B. Orr gave a very instructive illustrated lecture, "Pre-historic Inhabitants of Our Continent." The curator, Mr. Reginald Whale, conducted the visitors through the Society's museum, and gave much information regarding the exhibits there.

During the year considerable attention has been given to collecting museum material. Much material has been loaned from the private collections of Mr. Whale.

The historic sites committee has inaugurated a movement to have a suitable marking placed at Brant's Ford, on the Grand River, and also to preserve historical relics of pioneer days, such as the Crandon property.

The Society feels very keenly the loss sustained through the death of one of its most active and enthusiastic members, the late Major Gordon J. Smith, B.A., Superintendent of the Indian Department.

Preparations are being made for the publication of some of the Society's papers.

R. W. E. MCFADDEN,
President.

ELGIN HISTORICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTE (ST. THOMAS).
(ORGANIZED 1891.)

Report for the year ending April 30, 1923.

Officers for year beginning May 1, 1923:

HONORARY PRESIDENT—A. W. Graham.

PRESIDENT—Dr. J. H. Coyne.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Mrs. J. H. Wilson.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—Rev. P. S. Dobson.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY—J. E. Nelson.

RECORDING SECRETARY—J. E. Nelson.

TREASURER—F. B. Holtby.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Rev. J. W. J. Andrew, J. A. Taylor, E. R. Webb, H. W. McKay.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand.....	\$261 45
Members' fees.....	27 00
Grants (Government).....	200 00
Interest.....	52 67

\$541 12

EXPENDITURES.

Printing.....	\$13 32
General expenses.....	7 75

\$21 07

Number of members last year (paid members), 19; number of members this year (paid members), 23; number of public meetings held this year, 8; number of committee meetings held, 2.

List of lectures during the year, with subjects, dates, and names of lecturers: 1922.

October 2nd. "Evidences in Favour of Evolution," by J. A. Taylor.

November 6th. "Reminiscences of the Early Settlers of Aldborough," by A. McColl.

December 4th. "The Beginning of Things Canadian," by Rev. W. Gaetz.
1923.

January 2nd. "Early Settlement of Friends in Yarmouth," by Edgar Haight.

February 5th. "Spiritual Type Resulting from our Modern Life," by Rev. Jas. Anthony.

March 5th. "Religious Experience Psychologically Considered," by Rev. R. W. Knowles, M.A., Ph.D.

April 2nd. "The Habitant," by Mrs. M. Cook.

May 7th. "Magna Charta," by Prof. Arthur S. Dorland.

J. E. NELSON,
Secretary.

ESSEX HISTORICAL SOCIETY (WINDSOR).
(ORGANIZED JANUARY 5, 1904.)

Report for the year ending May 31, 1923.

Officers for year beginning January 1, 1923:

HONORARY PRESIDENT—Francis Cleary.

PRESIDENT—A. P. E. Panet.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Fred. Neal.

SECRETARY-TREASURER—Andrew Braid.

AUDITORS—Judge George Smith and Mr. Fred Holton.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Officers as above, Judge Geo. Smith, and Messrs. George F. Macdonald, Alex. Gow and Fred J. Holton.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand.....	\$48 36
Members' fees.....	26 00
Grants.....	100 00
Miscellaneous.....	2 81
	\$177 17

EXPENDITURES.

Photographs.....	\$16 10
Printing.....	90 00
Postage.....	3 00
Bindings.....	17 23
Balance.....	50 84
	\$177 17

Number of members last year, 82; number of members this year, 85; number of public meetings held this year, 2; number of committee meetings held, 2; number of books and pamphlets in library, 100; number added during the year, 3.

List of lectures during the year, with subjects and names of lecturers:

"Commodore Alexander Grant," by George F. Macdonald.

"Experiences of Prisoners Transported to Botany Bay for Participating in the Rebellion of 1837," by Francis Cleary.

"Colonel John Prince," by Major Alan Prince.

"Side Lights on Colonel Prince," by Andrew Braid.

ANDREW BRAID,
Secretary.

GRENVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY (PRESCOTT).

(ORGANIZED 1891.)

Report for the year ending December 31, 1922.

Officers for year beginning January 1, 1923:

HONORARY PRESIDENT—The Right Honourable Arthur Meighen, M.P.

PRESIDENT—F. J. French, K.C.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Rev. Canon H. B. Patton.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY—Miss Hilda Loretta Henry.

RECORDING SECRETARY—W. S. Johnston, Registrar of Grenville.

TREASURER—W. T. Keeler.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Dr. Kerfoot, John Newan, W. S. Johnston and F. J. French.

Number of members last year, 19; number of members this year, 8; number of committee meetings held, 3; titles of publications issued, "History of the

Church of England," and "The Blue Church Burying Ground, Augusta Township."

W. S. JOHNSTON,
Secretary.

HURON INSTITUTE (COLLINGWOOD).

REPORT MAY 1, 1922—APRIL 30, 1923.

During the past year the Huron Institute has continued its work of compiling the history of Collingwood and district. Marked success has, as heretofore, been the reward of the effort, the outstanding results being that the museum enjoys the unique position of being probably the largest collection of strictly local history in the Dominion of Canada.

Notable contributions of the year include a number of scrap books, these dealing chiefly with the marine history of the port and upper lakes, and the activities with which Collingwood has been so closely associated for seventy-five years. These contain hundreds of newspaper reports of ships and men, clippings from magazines, prints of boats and sailors, official records and other documentary history, and the hope is they may prove of value to writers of history in the future. In this, invaluable assistance has been rendered by Captain James McCannell, master of the steamer "Assiniboia," the flagship of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's upper lake fleet, who by untold care has succeeded in ferreting out the history of sailing vessels and steamers long since removed from the marine register.

Worthy of special mention is the collection of local sporting trophies, silver cups, medals and shields. Though this section of the museum was commenced but a few months ago, already no insignificant number has been gotten together. Many had been forgotten until discovered in the attic or dusty lumber room, but together, carefully labelled, and suitably displayed, they give to the public a good idea of the part played by Collingwood in the games that command valour and strength.

Numerous photographs of people and places that have figured in the progress of Collingwood, many not heretofore in the collection, have been received, the total in this section now numbering upward of two thousand five hundred. To enumerate them in a report of this character is impossible, but the time may come when the publication of a descriptive catalogue of these, which would be a history in itself, also of the remaining three or four thousand exhibits, may be an added achievement of the Institute.

During the past year the Institute has been visited by many hundreds of people, former residents of Collingwood and the district especially finding it a place of great pleasure, recalling as it does scenes and events of earlier days.

Publicity in its work is a great factor, the friends of the press being especially generous. From time to time articles have appeared commending the work of the Institute, and in this connection it is fitting to record the appreciation of the management of the very fine contribution made by Miss Louise Richardson Rorke, one of Canada's talented women writers. To acquaint herself with the

situation she came to Collingwood and spent a couple of days closely examining the museum, and afterwards recounted her visit in a highly descriptive and most entertaining article of several pages, through the literary section of the "Canadian Countryman," a publication to which she is a frequent contributor. Others by word have passed on reviews of the collection, with the result that the fame of the Institute is now so widespread that donations come from far and near. With the continued expansion have come new requirements in the form of cases and other equipment. These have been secured in a measure, but more are needed.

To the Honourable, the Minister of Education, the Institute is indebted for the usual financial appropriation.

As in preceding years, annual reports have been filed with the Department of Education, the Royal Society of Canada, the Ontario Historical Society and the American Historical Society.

In conclusion, the Institute thanks the friends who made donations during the year, and records appreciation of the fact that it has reached the stage where it is so generally recognized as one of the valued public institutions of the town.

FRANCES A. REDMOND,
Vice-President.

DAVID WILLIAMS,
Secretary.

May 11, 1923.

KENT HISTORICAL SOCIETY (CHATHAM).
(ORGANIZED 1912.)

Report for the year ending May 31, 1923.

Officers for year beginning June 1, 1922:

HONORARY PRESIDENT—T. K. Holmes, M.D.

PRESIDENT—Mr. D. R. Farquharson.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Mrs. J. P. Dunn.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—J. A. Walker, K.C.

SECRETARY—J. W. Mustard, B.A., M.B., F.C.I.C.

CURATOR—J. H. Smith, M.A., I.P.S.

TREASURER—Mr. Walter Watts.

AUDITOR—Mr. S. B. Arnold.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—The Officers and Messrs. A. A. Naylor, J. H. Kadwell, Thos. Scullard, E. Mayer, Henry Smyth and W. N. Sexsmith, B.A.; Miss E. Abram and Miss M. E. McDonell.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand, May 31, 1922.....	\$347 77
Members' Fees.....	2 00
Grant, Government.....	100 00
	\$449 77

EXPENDITURES.

Printing and postage.....	\$19 32
General expenses.....	26 85
Miscellaneous, purchase of Dean collection.....	200 00
Balance on hand, May 31, 1923	203 60
	\$449 77

Number of members last year, 93; number of members this year, 97; number of public meetings held this year, 6; number of committee meetings held, 1; number of books and pamphlets in library, 100; number added during the year, 15.

At a cost of \$200 the Society purchased the H. A. Dean collection of curios, artifacts and rare documents.

The weekly publication of a column on local history in the Chatham "Daily News" was instituted. Articles contributed by, and appearing under the name of, the secretary of Kent Historical Society.

List of lectures during the year, with subjects, dates, and names of lecturers: 1922.

November 10th. "History of Morpeth Village," by O. K. Watson, B.A.

December 15th. "Birds Observed in Kent County," by Geo. T. McKeough, M.D. 1923.

February 9th. "Mesopotamia," by Capt. G. Scullard, M.D., A.M.C.

April 13th. "Ancient Rome's Aid to Civilization," by T. K. Holmes, M.D.

J. W. MUSTARD, B.A., M.B., F.C.I.C.
Secretary.

KINGSTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

(ORGANIZED OCTOBER 27, 1893.)

Officers for the year 1922-1923.

HONORARY PRESIDENT—The Rt. Rev. E. J. Bidwell, D.D., The Lord Bishop of Ontario.

PRESIDENT—Major-General Sir A. C. Macdonell, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., LL.D., Commandant Royal Military College of Canada.

VICE-PRESIDENTS—Miss E. L. Mowat and R. Bruce Taylor, M.A., D.D., LL.D., Principal Queen's University, Kingston.

SECRETARY-TREASURER—H. C. Wotherspoon, P.O. Box 267, Kingston, Ontario.

AUDITOR—A. N. Lyster, Esq., manager Bank of Nova Scotia, Kingston.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Mrs. W. B. Carey, Mrs. H. R. Duff, Mrs. A. Kennedy, Miss J. R. Drummond, Prof. W. R. P. Bridger, J. M. Campbell, Esq., Francis King, Esq., A. N. Lyster, Esq., Prof. D. McArthur, Hon. W. F. Nickle, Prof. A. E. Prince, Very Rev. G. L. Starr, the Dean of Ontario; Prof. O. D. Skelton, H. A. Tofield, Esq., Prof. G. Vattier.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT, 1921-1922.

RECEIPTS.	
Cash on hand.....	\$722 40
Members' fees.....	83 00
Grants, bank interest, donations.....	39 90
	\$845 30
EXPENDITURES.	
Printing.....	\$14 70
Postage.....	5 50
General expenses and miscellaneous.....	49 38
Balance.....	775 72
	\$845 30

Number of members 1922, 83; number of members 1923, 103; number of committee meetings held, 5.

List of lectures during the year, with subjects, and names of lecturers:

"Negro Migrations into Canada," by Mr. Fred Landon.

"The Tombs and Temples of Egypt," by Prof. Currelly.

"On Western Trails," by Lawrence J. Burpee.

"An Indian City Through Foreign Eyes," by Prof. McFadyen.

"Jacques Cartier and His Discoveries," by H. P. Biggar, Esq.

"How Our English Ancestors Lived," by Prof. Waugh.

"Some Historical Facts on the Near East Question," by Rt. Rev. Felix Couturier, Bishop of Alexandria.

H. C. WOTHERSPOON,

Secretary.

June 12, 1923.

REPORT FOR YEAR 1922.

During the past year considerable work of a missionary nature, regarding the proposed celebrations to commemorate the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the City of Kingston has been done, and it is earnestly hoped that this will shortly bear fruit.

We have been unfortunate in not having been successful in obtaining suitable lecturers for the past season, but the prospects in this respect are very bright for the future, and we have at present the promise of several most interesting evenings, the details of which you will be notified of in due course.

The matter of memorial plaques or mural tablets, which for some time has been wrapped in a certain amount of mystery, has been inquired into, and it appears that the society is not in any way committed to any company, but that the matter is still open for further consideration. It seems most desirable that some definite action be taken prior to the forthcoming celebrations, and with that object in view, six firms have been asked to tender on proposed tablets. Later in the evening you will be asked to elect a committee to deal with this matter.

Correspondence has been held with the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Ottawa, and among other things they asked for information regarding the R.C.H.A. Barracks and Fort Frontenac. Through the kindness of Colonel C. F. Constantine, D.S.O., we were enabled to procure an old map of this vicinity, one copy which we hold, and the other has been forwarded to the Historic Sites and Monuments Board.

The Ontario Historical Society held its annual meeting at Port Dover, and Mrs. Carey attended as our representative. The coming year's meeting is to be held in Kingston at the time of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary celebrations.

Enquiries regarding the home of Molly Brant have been made as there appears to be some uncertainty in regard to it. If any member can help in securing definite information relative to the Molly Brant House it is hoped that this will be given as soon as possible.

A scrap book has been purchased for the preservation of old documents and other matters of an interesting nature. Now that we have a suitable repository for such papers, it is hoped that members will endeavour to fill its pages so that it will be found necessary to obtain a second volume in the near future.

Your secretary-treasurer, appointed at the last annual meeting, Professor W. R. P. Bridger, Royal Military College, found it necessary to resign in October, and the undersigned, at the request of your president, has since been acting *pro tem*. I should like to say that a very large part of this report has been very kindly supplied by Mr. Bridger.

At the last meeting of your executive, several matters were discussed, motions regarding which will be placed before you for your consideration.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. C. WOTHERSPOON,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Kingston, November 27, 1922.

LONDON AND MIDDLESEX HISTORICAL SOCIETY (LONDON, ONT.).
(ORGANIZED JUNE 26, 1901.)

Report for the year ending May, 1923.

Officers for year beginning October, 1923.

HONORARY PRESIDENT—Henry Macklin, J P.

PRESIDENT—T. H. Purdom, K.C.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Major T. J. Murphy.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—Mrs. O. T. Campbell.

SECRETARY—Della Fawkes.

TREASURER—F. Landon, M.A.

AUDITORS—Henry Macklin, Esq.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—H. Macklin, T. H. Purdom, K.C., Major T. J. Murphy, Mrs. O. T. Campbell, Dr. Dearness, Dr. Woolverton, F. Landon, M.A. and Z. Fawkes.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand.....	\$297 21
Members' fees.....	12 00
Grants.....	100 00
Interest.....	6 69
Sale of publications.....	1 50

\$417 40

EXPENDITURES.

Printing.....	\$297 83
Postage and advertising.....	28 84
Balance.....	90 73

\$417 40

Number of members last year, 31; number of members this year, 41; number of public meetings held this year, 8; number of committee meetings held, 13.

List of lectures during the year, with subjects, dates, and names of lecturers: 1922.

- October 17th. "Geography of Middlesex County," by Dr. John Dearness.
- October 17th. "Geology of Middlesex County," by Dr. S. Woolverton.
- November 21st. "History of Banking in London," by Dr. A. O. Jeffrey.
- December 19th. "William Pope's Diary," by Mr. W. E. Saunders.

1923.

- January 16th. "Lacrosse in London," by Mr. A. A. Jarvis.
- February 20 "Dr. C. S. Campbell as a Historian," by Dr. S. Woolverton.
- February 20 "Dr. C. S. Campbell as a Professional man," by Dr. C. E. Jarvis.
- February 20 "Dr. C. S. Campbell as a Fraternity man," by Mr. Wm. Brooks.
- February 20 "Dr. C. S. Campbell as a Citizen," by T. H. Purdom, K.C.
- March 23 "London's First Settler," by Mr. F. Landon, M.A.
- March 23 "The Disappearance of the Passenger Pigeon," by Mr. W. E. Saunders.
- April 17 "Poets and Song-Writers of the Middlesex Bar," by Mr. T. H. Purdom, K.C.
- May 15 "Surveys of Middlesex County," by Mr. Dalgleish.

LUNDY'S LANE HISTORICAL SOCIETY (NIAGARA FALLS, ONT.)
(ORGANIZED JUNE 23, 1887.)

Report for the year 1922-23.

Officers for the year beginning June, 1923.

HONORARY PRESIDENT—Brigadier-General E. A. Cruikshank.

PRESIDENT—Robert W. Geary.

VICE-PRESIDENTS—Robert Chisholm, Rev. Dr. Wallis.

SECRETARY-TREASURER—James C. Morden.

AUDITOR—Miss J. C. Barnett.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—J. H. Jackson, C.E., Miss Crysler, Miss Barnett, Mrs. Birdsall.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand.....	\$846 74
Government grant.....	200 00
Publications sold.....	21 80
Bank interest and members' fees.....	28 64

\$1,097 18

EXPENDITURES.

Printing, Postage, etc.	8 98
Old records purchased and Subscriptions.....	12 00
Grant to Public Library.....	25 00
General Expenses.....	29 10
Balance in The Imperial Bank of Canada.....	1,022 10

\$1,097 18

Mr. J. C. Morden, secretary, was the Society's delegate at the Annual Meeting of the Ontario Historical Society, at Simcoe, in July, and he, with several of its members represented the Society at the Annual Picnic of the Niagara Historical Society at Niagara-on-the-Lake.

The correspondence of the Society has been large and extended over Canada, the United States and England, and many of its publications were distributed and sold therein.

The sum of fifty dollars was subscribed to the proposed memorial in Commemoration of the Canadian soldiers who fell in the Great War from this city and district, and a grant of twenty-five dollars made to the Public Library for artistic and historical publications.

The Society's stock of publications on hand is valued at \$3,000, and others are about to be printed.

A number of historical records, and antiquities have been added to the Society's collection during the past year.

A report was written by the president and sent to The Royal Society of Canada, as an associated society, and many valuable recent historical publications have been received from institutions in the United States, England and Canada, in which much liberality and kindness have been shown to the Society.

Owing to the very favourable situation of the Society, a considerable amount of *personal* historical work is carried out by the president and officers in entertaining visitors and tourists at Niagara Falls, during the year, every courtesy being shown to them and many "complimentary" publications distributed.

ROBERT W. GEARY,
President.

Niagara Falls City, June 28, 1923.

Number of members last year, 30; number of members this year, 30; number of public meetings held this year, 2; number of committee meetings held, 5. Materials and data are being secured for two publications.

J. C. MORDEN,
Secretary.

NIAGARA HISTORICAL SOCIETY (NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE, ONT.)
(ORGANIZED DECEMBER, 1895.)

Report for the year ending June 30, 1923.

Officers for year beginning October 13, 1922.

HONORARY PRESIDENT—General Cruikshank.

PRESIDENT—Miss Janet Carnochan.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Rev. J. C. Garrett.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—Rev. A. F. MacGregor, B.A.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY—Miss Carnochan.

RECORDING SECRETARY—Mrs. E. Ascher.

TREASURER—Mrs. S. D. Manning.

ASSISTANT TREASURER—Mrs. C. Brown.

AUDITORS—J. C. Burns, Jos. Healy.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Alfred Ball, Mrs. Goff, Mrs. Bottomley, G. H. Leslie, F. R. Parnell, J. M. Mussen and the officers.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

(October 13, 1922.)

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand.	\$168 93
Members' fees.	125 50
Grants, Government.	300 00
Grants, County.	25 00
Life membership.	10 00
Repair fund.	307 00
Sale of pamphlets.	355 00
Contribution box.	55 00
	\$994 43

EXPENDITURES.

Printing.	\$264 95
Postage.	27 45
Insurance.	30 00
Miscellaneous.	40 90
Balance.	631 13
	\$994 43

Number of members last year, 300; number of members this year, 324; number of public meetings held this year, 1; regular meetings 6; number of committee meetings held, 3; number of books and pamphlets in library, 1,035; number added during the year, 22.

Title of publication: No. 34 (400 issued), "Whose Debtors We Are," by Miss C. Creed.

JANET CARNOCHAN,
President.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT, 1923.

During the year considerable progress has been made, meetings held, papers read, articles contributed, a pamphlet printed, letters received and answered, many visitors.

The pamphlet, "Whose Debtors We Are," is an account of our boys who took part in the war, who had attended the Public or High Schools in the town, nineteen of whom gave their lives; it was written by Miss Creed, one of the teachers, and it has received much commendation. Among the papers read was one by Judge Campbell of St. Catharines, "Right Thinking after the War," a paper written some time ago by Mr. Smith of Grimsby, "Fifty years of Peach Growing in the Niagara Peninsula," papers by Miss McKenzie, Miss Carnochan and Dr. T. K. Thomson, C.E., of New York on the bridges across the river at Niagara Falls and Queenston. A very interesting evening was spent reading and discussing letters received during the year asking for or giving information by persons from distant points as British Columbia, California, Saskatchewan, New York, Toronto, Kingston, Cleveland, Ottawa, etc., A pamphlet is being printed, which contains a paper relating to the Polish force here trained chiefly by Canadian officers, an account of Rev. Robert Addison, Rev. J. Burns, two of the first clergymen in Niagara and an account of St. Matthew Hamilton.

Articles contributed were four framed steel engravings, two of them being Queenston in 1840, Sir. Wm. Johnson and Fort Johnson; framed portraits of Dr. Morson, Judge Morson, Judge Burns; scrap-book given by Mrs. Charles Kingsley to Miss Rye; framed list of signatures of the Royal party at the Queen's Hotel here in 1901, George, Mary and the suite.

At least 1,000 recorded their names in the visitors' book. Several groups visited the room, as a class from a St. Catharines school, another from Thorold, military from Fort Niagara, and groups from the Camp here, a literary club from St. Catharines.

The meeting of the Ontario Historical Society at Port Dover was attended by several of our members.

Several letters were received expressing approval of our raising our fee from fifty cents to one dollar.

We have again to deplore the loss by death of many valuable members: a vice-president, Mr. Johnson Clench of St. Catharines, Miss Fell of Buffalo, Mrs. Ross of Manitoba, Mrs. Price of New York, Miss Alma, Niagara, Mrs. Burns, Toronto, and Dr. Crysler, Niagara.

At the last meeting of our executive a discussion arose as to the marker to be placed marking the site of the battle of Fort George, by the Sites and Monuments Board in August, one of the twenty-two to be placed to mark points of interest in the vicinity.

We return thanks to all who have assisted us in our work.

JANET CARNOCHAN,
President.

NORFOLK HISTORICAL SOCIETY (SIMCOE).
(ORGANIZED FEBRUARY 19, 1900.)

Report for the year ending June 30, 1922.

Officers for year beginning July 1, 1923.

HONORARY PRESIDENT—Hon. Alex. McCall.

PRESIDENT—H. F. Cook, B.A.

SECRETARY-TREASURER—H. S. Macpherson.

AUDITOR—P. Geo. Marshall.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—The officers and Frank Reid and His Hon. Judge Boles.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.	
Cash on hand.....	\$220 20
Members' fees.....	24 00
	\$244 20
EXPENDITURES.	
Printing.....	\$8 00
Postage.....	2 00
Miscellaneous.....	145 00
Balance.....	89 20
	\$244 20

Number of members this year, 44; number of public meetings held this year, 2; number of committee meetings held, 1.

H. S. MACPHERSON,
Secretary.

STRATFORD & PERTH COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY (STRATFORD).
(ORGANIZED NOVEMBER, 1922.)

PRESIDENT—R. Thomas Orr.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Alex. W. Fisher.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—Hon. Nelson Monteith.

SECRETARY-TREASURER—Kingsley O'Beirne.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Dr. S. Silcox, W. J. Anderson, Colonel John L. Youngs, Mrs. J. C. Makins, James Steele, R. R. Glenn, Mrs. S. R. McConkey, Geo. Hamilton, Mrs. Joseph Orr, Mrs. Thos. Ballantyne, John Makins.

Commenced with membership of 92.

R. THOMAS ORR,
President.

THUNDER BAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY (FORT WILLIAM, ONT.)
(ORGANIZED 1909.)

Report for the year ending October 1, 1922.

Officers for year beginning October 1, 1921.

HONORARY PRESIDENT—Hon. Sir George E. Foster.

PRESIDENT—Mr. Peter McKellar.

VICE-PRESIDENT—Mr. A. L. Russell.

SECRETARY-TREASURER—Miss M. J. L. Black.

AUDITORS—Mesdames G. A. Graham and F. C. Perry.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Miss Stafford, Mr. Jno. King, C. W. Jarvis and Dr. E. B. Oliver.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Members' fees.....	\$ 10 00
Grants.....	100 00
	\$110 00

EXPENDITURES.

Printing.....	\$90 00
General Expenses.....	10 00
	\$100 00

Number of members last year, 21; number of members this year, 12; number of public meetings held this year, 3; publication issued: Annual, 1921-22.

Lectures during the year, with subjects, dates, and names of lecturers.

1922

March 10th, "Amalgamation of the N.W. & H.B. Companies," by Mr. F. Fregean.

May 26th, "Trip to North Shore in Late 70's," from notes written by late Mrs. Wm. Keetch of Thessalon.

M. J. L. BLACK,
Secretary.

WATERLOO HISTORICAL SOCIETY (KITCHENER).
(ORGANIZED NOVEMBER 13, 1912.)

Report for the year ending December 31, 1922.

Officers for year beginning January 1, 1923.

PRESIDENT—W. H. Breithaupt.

VICE-PRESIDENT—Rev. J. E. Lynn.

SECRETARY-TREASURER—P. Fisher, Kitchener, Ont.

LOCAL VICE-PRESIDENTS—Galt, J. E. Kerr; Waterloo, C. A. Boehm; Elmira, O. H. Vogt; New Hamburg, A. R. G. Smith; Hespeler, D. N. Panabaker; St. Jacobs, E. Richmond.

COUNCIL—H. J. Motz, J. N. MacKendrick, Rev. A. L. Zinger, B. E. Bechtel, Miss L. M. Bruce.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Unexpended balance on hand from 1921.....	\$162 97
Members' Fees.....	69 50
Life membership.....	20 00
Grants, Municipal and Legislative.....	280 00
Sales of Transactions.....	14 46
	\$546 93

EXPENDITURES.

Printing, Tenth Annual Report.....	\$250 43
Postage and stationery.....	24 71
General Expenses.....	61 09
Secretary.....	40 00
Miscellaneous.....	22 82
Balance on hand.....	147 88
	\$546 93

Number of members last year, 81; number of members this year, 77; number of public meetings held this year, 1; number of committee meetings held, 3; publication issued: Annual Report (500 copies).

The tenth annual meeting of the Society was held at 8 p.m. on November 24th in the Museum in the Public Library, with a fair attendance of members and friends of the Society present. The president, W. H. Breithaupt presided. In his address the president reviewed the work of the year and particularly the progress made since the organization ten years ago. It was pointed out that our museum has steadily grown and that the material in it could not possibly be replaced. An annual report has been published regularly so that the printed record is both varied and interesting as a record of the pioneer settlement and subsequent progress of the County.

An important project is the marking of the first large settlement in the interior of Upper Canada in the County. It is hoped with the assistance of the Historic Sites and Monuments Board the marking of this site will be achieved next year.

The president also read an interesting account of the early local and municipal history of Kitchener, giving in detail the minutes of the first council meeting of Berlin.

Mr. D. N. Panabaker, Mayor of Hespeler, read an historical sketch of the prosperous town of Hespeler. Dr. H. M. Bowman spoke on the Bowman Family and general Mennonite History. Mr. J. E. Kerr read a biographical sketch of John Goldie, an Ayr pioneer. Miss L. M. Bruce, of Waterloo, contributed a review of the progress made in erecting tablets in the County to the memory of our Great War heroes.

The Kitchener Public Library Board provides a fine room for the Society's Museum. This assistance is thoroughly appreciated.

P. FISHER,
Secretary.

WENTWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY (HAMILTON).
(ORGANIZED JANUARY, 1889.)

Report for the year ending June, 1923.

Officers for year, 1922-23.

HONORARY PRESIDENT—Adam Brown, Esq.

PRESIDENT—Mr. H. F. Gardiner.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Mr. J. A. Griffin.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—Mrs. Mary Henderson.

SECRETARY-TREASURER—Mr. J. H. Land.

AUDITOR—Mr. C. S. Scott.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—The officers and Messrs. R. Butler, Rev. P. L. Spencer, Kirwan Martin, W. F. Moore, Colonel W. R. Turnbull, John Wallace, T. B. McQueston, Chas. E. Bull, Norman Leslie and John Plant.

(NOTE—The annual meeting was deferred and the officers for 1923-24 will be elected, July 7, 1923.)

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand, June, 1922	\$508 75
Members' fees.....	36 00
Grants.....	200 00
Book sale.....	1 00
	\$745 75

EXPENDITURES.

Printing and advertising.....	\$116 77
La Salle memorial.....	156 10
General Expenses.....	14 00
Miscellaneous.....	44 00
	\$331 27

Number of members last year, 53; Ladies' Committee, 12.65
 Number of members this year, 69; " " 15.84

Number of public meetings held this year, 5; number of committee meetings held, 14; number of books and pamphlets in library, about 750.

Lectures during the year, with subjects, dates, and names of lecturers:
 1922

June 6th, "Hamilton's Stone Age," H. F. Gardiner.
 November 14th, "Hamilton's Beauties," by J. H. Land.

1923

January 9th, "Legend of Lake Medad," by Captain P. M. Land.
 March 13th, "Burlington Heights," by J. H. Land.
 April 20th, "Waterdown of Old," by Dr. J. O. McGregor.

J. H. LAND,
Secretary.

WOMEN'S CANADIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF OTTAWA.

(ORGANIZED 1899.)

Report for the year ending March 29, 1923.

Officers for year beginning March 30, 1923.

HONORARY PRESIDENTS—Lady Borden, Mrs. Arthur Meighen.

PRESIDENT—Mrs. E. J. Ashton.

VICE-PRESIDENTS—1st, Mme. Lelièvre; 2nd, Mrs. Walter Armstrong; 3rd, Miss Eva Read; 4th, Mrs. J. B. Simpson; 5th, Mrs. B. Billings; 6th, Mrs. Quain; 7th, Mme. Fauvel.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY—Mrs. M. L. Rush.

RECORDING SECRETARY—Mrs. W. Gullock.

TREASURER—Mrs. A. F. Bishop.

AUDITOR—Mr. W. M. Dunlop.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Mrs. W. J. Lynch, Mrs. J. Fraser, Mrs. R. Brown, Mrs. E. P. Stanton, Mrs. J. C. Saunders, Mrs. Gerald Brown, Mrs. A. E. Attwood, Mme. J. E. Roy, Mme. J. R. Belisle, Mme. de Salaberry and Miss L. Stratton.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand.	\$43 81
Members' fees	40 00
Grants.	400 00

EXPENDITURES.

Rentals.	\$11 50
Printing.	482 46
Postage.	11 50
General Expenses.	144 10
Miscellaneous.	39 97

Number of members last year, 76; number of members this year, 80; number of public meetings held this year, 5; number of committee meetings held, 10; number of books and pamphlets in library, 450; number added during the year, 45.

Seven regular, one special and ten executive meetings have been held during the year. While the Women's Canadian Historical Society of Ottawa has mainly occupied itself with collecting authentic records of the City and surrounding districts, its activities have occasionally diverged into wider fields. This year public meetings have been held at which lectures on the Indians, and Eskimos of the Dominion have been delivered by learned authorities. These lectures should be a valuable addition to the transactions of the Society. On November 10th Dr. Edward Sapir gave an address on "Indian Legends of Vancouver Island." December 8th an illustrated lecture on "A Historical and Ethnological Sketch of the Iroquois," was delivered by Mr. F. W. Waugh. January 12th Mr. Diamond Jenness, M.A., Oxon., spoke on "The Eskimos, Their History and Their Future." February 9th Mr. F. W. Waugh gave an illustrated address on "The Naskopi Indians of Labrador and Their Neighbours." These lectures were held in the Victoria Museum, by kind permission of the director, Dr. McInnes. The last lecture of the season was held in the Palm Room of The Chateau, when Prof. B. K. Sandwell of McGill University spoke on "Changing Motives Concerning Emigration."

The Printing Committee, with Mrs. Walter Armstrong as convener, issued the Annual Report, 1921-22, and Vol. VIII of Transactions, "Recollections of Bytown," concerning which many notes of appreciation have been received. Owing to ill-health, Mrs. Armstrong was obliged to resign, and Mrs. Billings was appointed convener in her stead.

The scrap-books are in charge of Miss Eva Read and Mrs. Robert Brown, each of whom presented a report at the last annual meeting.

The formal opening of the Bytown Museum for the season was held on Thursday, May 18th from four to six o'clock. Her Excellency the Lady Byng of Vimy was invited but owing to a previous engagement was unable to be present. Invitations were sent to His Worship Mayor Plant, Controllers and aldermen, members of the Royal Society, and to honorary members of the Society.

The museum under the curatorship of Mme. Fauvel, to whom the Society owes a deep debt of gratitude for her unfailing devotion, was open to the public on Wednesdays and Saturdays from May 13th to November 1st. Mme. Fauvel's report showed that there was no increase in the number of visitors, but that the up-keep cost \$22 less than the previous year.

Realizing the desirability of keeping the museum open during the whole year and being handicapped by the fact that the premises were merely a loan, and in order that any arrangements for the heating of the building might be made with a view to permanency of occupation it was decided to ask the civic authorities for a ten-year lease. Mrs. J. B. Simpson was appointed convener of a committee for the purpose, and their efforts were rewarded by obtaining the desired lease. Plans for heating will therefore be proceeded with. A list

of all articles (with names of contributors) received for the museum since last annual meeting will be published in the next printed report.

The Women's Canadian Historical Society is affiliated with the Royal Society and sends to that body an abridged report of the year's work. The president and recording secretary attended the sessions of the Royal Society in May, 1922.

The Society is also affiliated with The Local Council of Women, Canadian Historical and The Ontario Historical Society to which, an accredited delegate is sent and a report presented by this Society. This year the Society nominated and paid the fee of \$1 each for five members to The Ontario Historical Society: Mme. Lelièvre, Mrs. Billings, Mrs. A. F. Bishop, Miss Eva Read and Mrs. A. F. Bond; Mrs. Ashton and Mrs. Gullock, as president and recording secretary, are members by affiliation.

Notice of motion has been given that at the annual meeting article 4 of the constitution be amended to read: "The president, corresponding secretary and treasurer shall be ex-officio members of all committees," and that Standing Order (d) shall be altered to read: "The meetings of the executive shall be held on the Monday preceding the general meeting at 2.30 p.m. (instead of 10 a.m.)"

Six dollars (five dollars contribution and one dollar fee for president as representative of the Society) were sent to Mr. Cyril Rickwood, secretary of Community Hall Association, which Association has for the present deemed it inadvisable to proceed with plans for the erection of a Community Hall.

On behalf of the Society, Mrs. Ashton, president, laid a wreath of poppies on the Cenotaph on Armistice Day.

At the annual meeting, March 29, 1922, the following resolution was carried by a standing vote: "That a vote of confidence, and appreciation be sent to the retiring corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. M. Somerville, for her splendid service during five years."

The thanks of the Society are hereby tendered to Mr. W. M. Dunlop, who has audited the books for several years, and to the Press for kindly notices throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. GULLOCK,

Honorary Recording Secretary.

WOMEN'S CANADIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF TORONTO.
(ORGANIZED 1895.)

Officers for year October, 1922-23.

HONORARY PRESIDENT—Mrs. Cockshutt, Government House.

PRESIDENT—Miss Mickle, 48 Heath St. East.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Mrs. Jas. Bain.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—Mrs. Edgar R. Jarvis; 3rd, Mrs. W. A. Parks.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY—Mrs. Balmer Neilly, 39 Woodlawn Ave. E.

RECORDING SECRETARY—Mrs. F. G. Settle.

TREASURER—Mrs. N. E. Hills.

AUDITOR—J. H. Young.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Lady Stupart, Mrs. Horace Eaton, Mrs. Leadbetter, Mrs. E. V. Neelands, Mrs. D. M. Farmer, Mrs. Harold Macdonald, Mrs. Neil Sinclair.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand, 1921-22.	\$8,625 32
Members' Fees, 1891-1922	90 00
Grants, Government.	200 00

EXPENDITURES.

Rentals, Sherbourne House Club.	\$ 35 00
Printing Cards, Advertising and Transactions.	176 41
Postage.	8 88
General Expenses.	102 42

Number of members last year, 90 paid members; number of members this year, 96, with 4 life members; number of public meetings held this year, 7 general meetings, 1 special; number of committee meetings held, 8 executive meetings. Publications issued: Transaction No. 22, was published; papers contained therein are: "Toronto in the Parliaments of Upper Canada, 1792-1841," by the Hon. Wm. Renwick Riddell, LL.D., F.R.S.C., "Some Account of a Military Settler in Canada, 1833," by Miss Bonnycastle.

Lectures during the year, with subjects and names of lecturers:

October	"Canadian Poetry," by Prof. Grieves of Victoria University.
November,	"Present Conditions in England," by Miss Mickle.
December,	"Toronto in the Parliaments of Upper Canada, 1792-1841," by Hon. Justice Riddell, LL.D., F.R.S.C.
January,	"Some Account of a Military Settler," by Miss Bonnycastle.
February	"The Caroline Incident," by Canon Macnab.
March,	"History of Trinity College," by Provost Seager.
April,	"Reminiscences of the Yukon," by Mr. Justice Craig.

ETHEL S. NEILLY,
Secretary.

THE WOMEN'S WENTWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

ANNUAL REPORT.

June 6th, 1923, marks the 110th anniversary of the Battle of Stoney Creek and also the 10th anniversary of the unveiling of the Memorial erected to the memory of those sons of the motherland who fell, and who kept for Canada the British connection so highly prized. During the life time of your society its efforts mainly have been engaged in the preservation of the Battle field as a national and historic asset. To this end the year just closed has contributed its part.

Eight meetings have been held, attended chiefly by the executive committee although all members were notified through the daily papers. Nevertheless important business was transacted. The grant from the Ontario Legislature made possible the extension of work in the grounds and now, where once was wilderness and confusion, order and beauty prevail. In addition a new road has been made for which thanks are due to the County of Wentworth and Suburban Areas Commission.

The house has received attention, extensive repairs were made and necessary supplies added. In view of the stringent coal situation it was thought expedient to provide only enough for the use of the caretaker, accordingly little use could be made of the house during the past inclement winter. The interest on the part of the general public in the house and grounds led the Society to the decision to admit any who so desired, upon payment of a small fee. For the use of the house by the members giving parties a slight change was made in the fees and an extra charge of fifty cents each for open fires was provided.

The very satisfactory services of Mrs. Ramsay were re-engaged, also those of George Ramsay as gardener. On the 9th of February the annual ball was held in the Royal Connaught Hotel, a success socially, but owing to the prevalent illnesses was not so largely attended as usual and the net receipts not so gratifying.

Mrs. William Hendrie very kindly lent her house to the members of the Society and their friends on the 27th of March when Canon MacNab of St. Albans Cathedral, Toronto, gave an entertaining address on the other MacNab of the thirties, a topic of local interest, dealing with the life and times of Sir Alan MacNab.

It is interesting to report that \$205.50 (£42 16s 3d) subscribed under the auspices of the Society towards the Restoration Fund of Westminster Abbey was sent to England and the personal thanks of His Grace the Duke of Devonshire, treasurer of the fund, and also of the Dean of the Abbey have been received.

At the April meeting a discussion arose out of a letter received from Sir John Gibson in which he stated the bonds representing disputed money in the Bank of Commerce were held in his name for this Society and Mr. Kirwan Martin's, representing other claimants. In order to obtain the bonds, both parties must agree. It was resolved that a letter be written to the manager of the bank requesting that the money represented in bonds and lying in the Bank of Commerce to the credit of the Ladies' Committee of the Wentworth Historical Society be given to the treasurer of this Society, and in the event of refusal to comply with the request it be placed in court.

Before acting upon the resolution officials of the Wentworth Historical Society were interviewed, but as they showed no inclination to release their supposed claim the bank was instructed to proceed according to the resolution. It is expected that the matter will soon be decided by the court.

On the occasion of the last annual meeting the Society had the pleasure of meeting at the Battle Field the members of the Toronto Women's Historical Society who expressed themselves as delighted with the outing and the opportunity of visiting this historic spot.

When His Excellency the Governor General recently unveiled the Memorial erected by the Hamilton Canadian Club in honour of the soldier dead, this Society, represented by the president and secretary, had the privilege of laying its tribute with grateful remembrance at the foot of the cenotaph, and again when His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor unveiled the memorial given by the residents of Saltfleet in memory of their dead, your representatives were present and added your symbol of thought and affection.

It were unfitting to close this report without acknowledgement of the Society's indebtedness to the Hon. F. C. Biggs, and the Department of Public Works of the Province of Ontario for the grants which made possible the transformation of the grounds, to the Department of Education for the annual grant and to the Suburban Areas Commission for the splendid road into the grounds.

For the coming year further improvements and progress are outlined with every prospect of being carried on, with a membership list of 200 names, nothing will be impossible, given co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

BERTIE E. D. SMITH,
Secretary.

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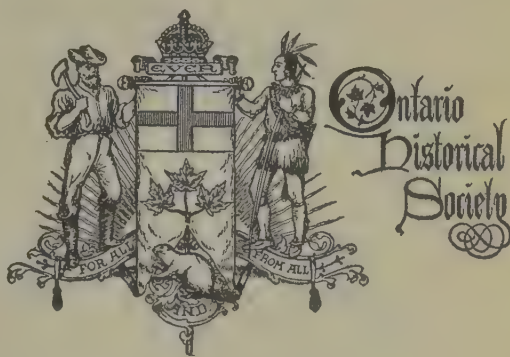
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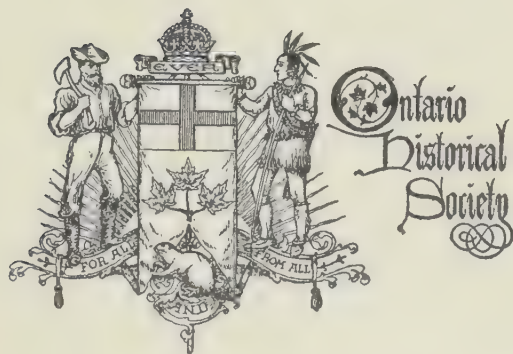
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ANNUAL MEETING AT KITCHENER, ONTARIO

MORNING SESSION, TUESDAY, JUNE 24, 1924

The sessions were held in the Waterloo County Court House; at the opening at ten o'clock, the President, Dr. R. B. Orr, called the meeting to order and said:

Ladies and Gentlemen, Members of the Ontario Historical Society: In greeting you once again, I am glad to see so many of the old members present. I am sure we shall have a good meeting. I have much pleasure in introducing to you Mayor Breithaupt, of Kitchener, who will welcome you to the city.

Mayor L. O. Breithaupt: Mr. President and Members of the Ontario Historical Society, Ladies and Gentlemen: It was with great pleasure that we learned that the annual meeting of your Society was to be held in our city. Kitchener is known as an industrial city. It is not only a city of industry, it is a city, I am glad to say, where the aesthetic as well as the practical has its place. It has not only led in such vast enterprises as the Hydro-Electric power by which the great Falls at Niagara has been harnessed to turn the wheels of industry and light our homes, but it has also led in such great movements as practical city planning. It is only a few months ago since I had the pleasure of welcoming the Ontario City Planning representatives of the municipalities in session here. As a result of their meeting, the Ontario Legislature introduced an Act giving power to municipalities to pass City Planning and Zoning By-laws. You can see the results of the city planning not only on the practical side, but in the beautifying of our city. It is all right to make money, but, after all, making money is not the only thing, and we welcome such a movement as city planning and such a movement as your Society represents to-day.

Kitchener prides itself not only upon its industries, but upon its institutions of learning and its churches, and most of all, upon its thrifty and industrious population. The lessons of integrity and thrift taught to our people by a hard-working and noble ancestry have borne fruit on every hand, as is evidenced by the prosperous and well ordered homes and places of business of our citizens.

I wish at this time to pay tribute to the Waterloo Historical Society. It was organized in 1912, and ever since its members have faithfully laboured to collect data in connection with the history of our county and have gone to a great deal of trouble in preserving the same for the benefit of this and future generations. It is to be hoped that the lessons of thrift taught by our noble ancestors will bear fruit in this and future generations, placing service to the community above all selfish motives.

It gives me much pleasure to welcome you. I hope that your deliberations may be fruitful of much good and that future generations will benefit from the deliberations taken here this week.

The President: Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen: On behalf of the Society, I thank you for the cordial welcome which you as Mayor of the City of Kitchener have extended to the Historical Society. Truly you have historic ground. Last year we visited military ground, the city of Kingston, a truly historical city, at one time the central point of great conflicts. You live in the great locality of the Atiwandiron Indian race. More than that, you have lived upon a portion of what should have been the preserve in the years gone by. If the Iroquois had retained possession of the land given to them by the Government, they would have still held the land upon which we now stand, and they would have been much wealthier than they are now. But in the wisdom of our government, it was thought fit to allow them to sell this portion of their lands. You now are one of the greatest and best manufacturing cities in Ontario. The time will come when you will be greater than some of those cities farther west. We thank you, Mr. Mayor, for the reception you have given us, and we assure you we shall endeavour to advance the study of history of Waterloo County as well as that of the city of Kitchener.

Secretary A. F. Hunter then read his report of the business affairs of the Society for the year 1923-4. (See Appendix I.)

After reading his report, Mr. Hunter then said: I should like to add a few remarks in extension of some of these points. First, with regard to the deaths: there are three men of the nine who deserve special mention as writers in historical matters:—Mr. Cleary, of Windsor, Colonel Farewell, of Whitby, and Alexander Osborne, of Penetanguishene. Mr. Cleary had been instrumental in the formation of the Society at Windsor, had prepared as many as five different papers, which appeared in the Ontario Society's publications from Volume 2 to Volume 10, and had been an active member in various matters. Colonel Farewell, although he had not contributed anything to our pages, had done some good work in Ontario County at Whitby. He had been also a veteran of the Fenian Raid of 1866.

It was with Mr. Osborne that I was best acquainted, and I would like to bear a little testimony to his remarkable work. There are three items or features that I would like to refer to more particularly, first, his historical work. About the time we began the publications of the "Papers and Records" series of this Society, Mr. Osborne had been engaged upon some research regarding the French settlements of Penetanguishene. In 1824, when the British Government had to give up its post at Drummond Island, a group of old French voyageurs, who had been stranded, as it were, after the amalgamation of the two fur companies in 1820, were out of employment and had squatted beside the post at Drummond Island. The Boundary Commission in 1824 turned that island over to the United States, and these voyageurs were moved in 1828 to Penetanguishene, which was then the main post of the British navy and army. Mr. Osborne was engaged in gathering up from the remnants of the old-timers the story of their migration, and in the third volume of our "Papers and Records" he contributed a very valuable article on that interesting and picturesque settlement.

When he had finished that work I said to him: "Now you have done for the French people a good work. Should you not do for the English-speaking

people of Penetanguishene a similar work, and give us particulars of the early naval and military characters who were at that place?" So he set to work and we put in the Simcoe County Historical Society's "Pioneer Papers" his work on that settlement, making 160 pages altogether; and he made it extremely valuable by correlating what the old settlers told him with the existing matter in the printed books. The references in this work numbered more than 100 printed books on the history of this country. This is his best piece of work and will stand for all time.

The second feature I would like to speak of regarding Mr. Osborne is his connection with local newspapers. He started as many as five or six altogether. I think he began at Wingham, then founded one in Penetanguishene, then one in North Bay—the "Despatch"—then one at Mattawa, then another at Penetanguishene. He was prolific in starting newspapers. It was while at North Bay that he got into some trouble. There had been a murder and the authorities were not moving as fast as he thought they should, so he undertook to read them a lesson, but instead of putting the murderer in jail they put the editor in jail. Sir Oliver Mowat was then Attorney-General, and as soon as he heard of what had happened he telegraphed to release Mr. Osborne at once, and it was done.

The third and final item which I would like to mention regarding Mr. Osborne relates to the history of this country. In the year 1899, the year in which this Society received its charter—Dr. Coyne will tell us about that—I made some investigations into the Huron Village sites of Tay Township, about forty-six sites altogether, passing up one concession line and down another. I made a report on them in the next "Archæological Report," pointing out which I thought was the one at which the two Jesuit missionaries—Breboeuf and Lalemant—were massacred. Two or three years later, the late Rev. Father A. E. Jones, of St. Mary's College, Montreal, looking over the report, and making a rapid tour of the district, thought the selection was too close to Ste. Marie on the Wye, and in his library armchair, with the map before him, he placed his pencil on the spot which he thought ought to be the proper place. He purchased the farm, without investigation, for \$2,400 and made a long statement in the "Archæological Report" for that year—rather longer for the one "site" than I had made for the whole of my forty-six sites. It seemed to me rather curious that I had missed this "site" which was on the top of a hill that he had selected. I had asked the people living on the farm if they had found any remains there and they said no, they had not, so I thought I had made no mistake. When Father Jones' report appeared it seemed advisable to me to go and visit his "site." It seemed advisable, too, that I should take with me one who had experience in archæology, so that any prejudices I might have would not be exerted. Mr. Osborne was the man whom I selected, and he and I went over the "site," examining it carefully. It had been newly plowed a few weeks before, so that if there had been any material there indicating the existence of a site we should see it, but we saw nothing. Within a year or two a shrine was built at the place, so that it became important, whether this was really a village site or not. I can bear this testimony to Mr. Osborne now that he is gone, that throughout the twenty-five years of his life which followed, he adhered with fidelity to

his first statement that it was not a village site, and he was to me a very great moral support.

With regard to the other items in the report: It will perhaps be news to the local historical societies (the affiliated societies) that they will not receive grants after the coming October. In my report I have referred only to the Provincial Society, but it is a matter for your affiliated societies also. We are all alike. The forty-five societies whose grants have been dropped from the main estimates are chiefly historical (28), the remainder are literary and scientific. The whole saving made by cutting off these grants will be only about \$8,200. Apparently the only thing we can do is to economize still further and do as the Indian does, who, when there is a famine, draws in his belt a little tighter. The crisis, if there is to be one, will take place a year from now, that is, so far as our Society is concerned. There will not be much change during this incoming year, because there is a grant for it, and it will be spent in ways similar to those of the past. But there will be need in the coming year to consider what ought to be done.

In anything that I may say, I do not wish to be misinterpreted or misreported. The Government (the Cabinet Ministers), in my opinion, are not to blame in the slightest degree. If there is any blame that we can attach to anybody, it is upon part of the Civil Service, not upon the Government. The Civil Service is between the public and the Government. In many ways the Government represents the public and yet the Civil Service is interposed between us. One clerk in the Parliament Buildings told me when the cancellation of grants came out, that this should have been done long ago. That I quote as a specimen of the way in which historical societies are regarded by some of the Civil Service. The Archives grant has not been cut off. Their publications have been cut off. The Government practically says: "You are doing nothing worth while," yet their \$16,000 of support has not been reduced, in fact \$300 is added for postage, although they are not doing anything that the Government thinks it worth while to publish. The Archives Bureau gets \$16,000—more than double what is being saved or estimated to be saved by the cancellation of the grants to forty-five societies—and what is it doing? I am not able to say, but there must be half a dozen clerks there, preserving or looking after official papers of past years. My opinion may not be very good, but I think in an Anglo-Saxon community like this the amount of work done by these historical societies is worth twice what the official organs and official departments do. In a British country it is the people who are doing the work, the self-governing people, through the records of all kinds of institutions, which are gathered up and treasured by the various historical societies and turned out in book or pamphlet form. These are doing the right thing for the history of this country and our work is not repeated or duplicated by the Government in any way. They say nothing about cutting down or going to stop the printing of this material, which we are turning out, but they would cut off the grant that is to pay a salary. You will have no secretary at the close of another year, and no means to pay postage. For my own part, when the curtain rings down a year from now, there will be nobody happier at the result. There will have been twelve years of uphill labour. We have published more than any other society on the continent and now the cancellation of the grant will be our reward.

Since 1906 the Archives Bureau of Ontario has not given the slightest report of the work it is doing in the department. Various things have been published but nothing to show what the department is doing for these eighteen years. Could there be anything more ridiculous?

There is one point I should like to speak of in connection with the future operations of the affiliated societies. You are going to be in a quandary what to do to continue publishing. Under the government contract for printing, there is an arrangement by which you can get for an additional 25 per cent. of the cost of typesetting, what you would require for your local use in copies of an article set up for publication in the Ontario Society's "Papers and Records." Thus you could get the 200 or 300 copies you would require at a small cost. The Grenville Society, for instance, did this last year in connection with General Cruikshank's article on Patrick Campbell's Journey, which was of local interest to them. Such a cost would be a mere trifle compared with what you would have to pay if you issued the pamphlet yourselves. I mention this not as any substitute for what has been done, but it may be a way out in publishing certain kinds of articles.

Another suggestion I would make is that if you have a cent left, pay something to your secretaries. They are the men who are doing the work that counts. Talk is all right, but a little monetary assistance to some competent person will accomplish a great deal, and if you have anything left make a small grant to your secretary, say \$25 or \$50 a year. They are doing good work, but they have some diffidence about asking for a grant of this kind.

I wish to refer, also, to the services of Dr. Orr as president during the past two years. I wish to bear this testimony that our work together has been most harmonious. His office is very handy to mine in the same building, and altogether it has been a very pleasant two years.

The affiliated societies will have a place on the programme of this meeting for speaking of what they are doing. They have their own annual meetings, at which they make their reports, but we should be glad to hear from them further as to what they have done during the past year. Each society will be allowed to speak of its work and perhaps tell us something of this most serious matter, the cancellation of the grant.

Dr. J. H. Coyne: I move that the Secretary's report be adopted. I may add that I think the Society is very much indebted to the Secretary for the very valuable work he has done. In no year since he became our secretary has the work been better than in the last year. The publication of the Annual Report and of the "Papers and Records" for the year are amongst the very best that we have produced. I say nothing at all of the Simcoe Papers, edited by General Cruikshank, and which of course will rank amongst the most important historical papers in recent years. I wish to express my approval at the same time of what has been said of the President himself. I think the President has been most efficient in his two years' occupation of the Presidency of the Society, and I am sure that the members appreciate the value of his services.

The President: I am sure I appreciate your words, and I appreciate the words from Mr. Hunter. Nobody knows better than I do the amount of time

Mr. Hunter devotes to the work of the Historical Society. He is always at the office. I suppose he spends ten or twelve hours of each day on historical work.

Dr. Coyne's resolution, seconded by Mr. S. F. Passmore, was adopted.

The Treasurer's report was also submitted, and on motion by General Cruikshank, seconded by Andrew Braid, was adopted.

Dean Starr: It seems to me it is a very important matter that the Secretary has brought up and should not be passed over without serious consideration. I don't see what is to become of the Ontario Historical Society which has done so much in the past in preserving records and in developing the historic sense of the Province, if this grant is withdrawn. Some steps, very vigorous ones, should be taken before this unfortunate crisis develops. I do not see how we can economize any more than in the past, and surely if the Government realize what has been done and how important the work is, they will give the matter further consideration. In supporting the motion that the Treasurer's report be adopted I would like to present to the meeting the very serious position in which we stand and add my appreciation of the splendid work carried on by the Secretary of the Society. I feel that steps should be taken by the various historical societies throughout the Province to compel the Government to restore the grant.

Dr. Coyne: I think Dean Starr should follow up the remarks he has made by asking for the appointment of a small special committee to consider the question of a grant.

The Secretary: There is to be a Resolutions Committee and I think they could take it up very well.

Dean Starr: If that motion is in order I would be very glad to move it, or leave it to the Resolutions Committee.

Dr. Coyne: It is the most important matter before us, and the Resolutions Committee will have a great many important questions to deal with.

Dean Starr: I would move: That a small committee be appointed forthwith to deal with the financial situation, consisting of Captain J. S. Carstairs, Dean Starr, General Cruikshank, Rev. Dr. Morrison, Senator McCall, Geo. F. Macdonald, Mr. Mussen and Mr. Fisher.

The item of selecting a nominating committee having been reached, on motion by Mrs. David McGregor, a resolution was adopted appointing the four following:

Gen. Cruikshank, Capt. Carstairs, Justus A. Griffin and Rev. Dr. Wallis.

The President nominated—Miss Carnochan, Mr. H. F. Gardiner and Dr. Coyne.

On motion by Dr. Coyne, the following committee on resolutions was appointed:

Mr. H. F. Gardiner, Dean Starr, Senator McCall, M. O. Hammond, W. H. Breithaupt and Jas. Mitchell.

Reports of affiliated societies were then presented:

In presenting the report of the Brant Historical Society, Mr. S. F. Passmore said: Our Secretary has sent in a report and it is not necessary for me to say anything about it. We are proceeding slowly as at most places and if the Govern-

ment stops our grant I think there is enough enthusiasm in our Society to meet the situation. I hope that the Government will reconsider their decision, but if not, I do not think we will worry about it; we will pull through all right.

Dr. Coyne, in connection with the Elgin Society's report, said: I shall not read the report in full. There is an item with reference to the annual picnic of the Society which has now come to be an institution with us. There is a piece of land to the west of St. Thomas which has remained in possession of one family for 100 years and the proprietor has been generous enough to give the Historical Society the use of it for a picnic once a year. He has taken the old homestead and made it a sort of typical home or museum. Once a year we go out there and have a very pleasant afternoon and afterwards something good to eat and it is one of the features of our annual proceedings now.

The papers that were read during the year are shown in the report. Meetings were held throughout the season every month. We understood that the late Judge Ermatinger was preparing a volume on the Talbot Settlement, but when he died it was found that the book was not completed. The Society had undertaken publication of it, but as it was not actually completed the publication of the work will be delayed. We hope to have it printed some time. We had a paper on the East Elgin place names and one on the life of the late Samuel McCall and one on the League of Nations by J. A. Taylor, Inspector of Public Schools.

There is one item, I think, will be of interest to the members here. The year 1924 is of special local interest because it is the hundredth anniversary of the following important events: The erection of the old St. Thomas Church, the first church building between Long Point and Amherstburg; the opening of the Talbot Seminary, the first school of secondary education in the Talbot Settlement, and the direct ancestor of the St. Thomas Collegiate; the starting of the Talbot Dispensary, the first medical college in the Province of Upper Canada. It is a rather interesting fact that is not generally known that Dr. Rolph, founder of the old College of Medicine in Toronto, had established a medical college at St. Thomas just one hundred years ago and that the professors, the only professors at the start of it, were Drs. John Rolph and Chas. Duncombe, both of them prominent in connection with the Rebellion of 1837, thirteen years afterwards, and both of them at that time not only engaged in the practice of medicine, but as partners in a drug store. That college was in actual operation, according to an advertisement in Wm. Lyon Mackenzie's paper published at Queenston that year, in the fall of 1824. How long it lasted we don't know. I have not been able to find anything about it. It was the first medical college in Ontario, as I understand. Dr. John Rolph was then practising medicine at St. Thomas. In a general election he was a candidate for the representation of Middlesex in 1824. There were two members to be elected and there were three candidates. Colonel Burwell, the surveyor, who laid out the famous Talbot road, was the sitting member. He was opposed by John Rolph and Captain Matthews, the latter two being elected. We have a very interesting account of the nomination proceedings at that election from the hand of Wm. Lyon Mackenzie, who came up and attended the nomination meeting and stayed in St. Thomas for some days, and wrote a very interesting account, which you

will find in his "Sketches of Canada and the United States," printed in 1833 or thereabout. These are three events of which this present year marks the centenary. There will be suitable memorials erected during the summer of 1924. The commemoration will take the form of a week of historic celebrations during the first week of August, from the 3rd to the 9th, and in connection with it memorial tablets will be unveiled at the Old St. Thomas' Church, the site of the old Talbot Dispensary and the Talbot Seminary, and also, it is expected that another tablet will be unveiled a few miles west of St. Thomas at the old church at Frome. This is believed to be the first Congregational church in the Province of Upper Canada, opened about 1818 by the Rev. Jos. Silcox, who was practically the father of Congregationalism in Canada. We hope to have a week of celebration at St. Thomas, in which these various events will be commemorated. It is a matter in which the Historical Society is very much interested.

During that same Old Boys' Reunion week, it is expected that a memorial will be unveiled at Port Stanley in the form of a cairn with tablet and inscription by the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada. That cairn will be really the first monument erected in Ontario as far as I can find, to commemorate Brock's expedition to Detroit, which resulted in the capture of Detroit and of Hull's army in 1812. The cairn will be erected at Port Stanley with a commemorative tablet stating that Brock on the 9th of August, 1812, camped on the beach. It is intended to refer to a number of historic matters. For instance, the first white man known to have descended the Great Lakes was Joliet, who landed at Port Stanley in September, 1669, left his canoe there and portaged over to Hamilton, through Galt and the village of Westover, where he met LaSalle, who afterwards followed the Mississippi down to its mouth. At Westover these two men met. LaSalle was accompanied by Galinee and Dollier in a sort of joint expedition, with LaSalle as explorer and the other two as missionaries. Galinee and Dollier went on, spent the winter at Port Dover, and in the spring of 1670 proceeded west along Lake Erie, where they found Joliet's canoe at the mouth of Kettle Creek. These priests were the first white men who are recorded to have made the ascent of the chain of lakes from Montreal to the Soo. This was done in 1669-70, Joliet having been in 1669 the first white man to descend the lakes. These incidents will be mentioned on the tablet to be erected at Port Stanley. There will also be references to other explorers such as Charlevoix. Sir William Johnson was another, and his interesting diary is one of the valuable sources of information concerning the capture of Niagara and other events. After the conquest of Canada, he led a small force along the north shore of Lake Erie in 1761 to take over the upper forts from the French garrisons, Major Rogers having already in 1760 taken possession of Detroit for the British. Johnson spent a day or two, 'en route, at the mouth of Kettle Creek, which he describes in his journal.

Mr. Andrew Braid, Secretary of the Essex Historical Society, presented the report of that society. (This report, as well as those of the other affiliated historical societies, is printed in full at the end of this volume, in Appendix II.)

Dean Starr: In presenting the Kingston Society's report, said: I regret to state that owing to the removal of Major Wotherspoon, our energetic secretary,

no official report has been submitted, and I can only give a brief outline of the society's activity of the year. The outstanding event was the meeting of the Ontario Historical Society in Kingston, on the 250th anniversary of the landing of Count Frontenac. Unfortunately public interest could not be sufficiently aroused to mark the occasion worthily.

Miss Janet Carnochan, in presenting the report of the Niagara Historical Society, said: I am very glad to see such a large representation of the Historical Society. I think it has been worth while, what has been done and what may be done. I have not had the pleasure of attending the annual meeting of this Society for two years, but I have attended nearly every other meeting. This is our report (which she then read).

I do not know what we will do if the Government withdraws its grant. The grant we have is for printing. We will have to stop printing. I hope some strong effort will be made to prevent that.

Mr. W. H. Breithaupt, in presenting the Waterloo report, said: This is the annual report of the Waterloo Historical Society for the past year made by the Secretary. (He then read it.)

We are very much complimented to have the Ontario Historical Society meet in our historic town this year, and we hope we will succeed in making the visit of some interest to you.

This afternoon's event is the outing of which you all know. I might announce that the members and their friends will please meet in front of this building at two o'clock, and automobiles will be provided to take the party to the site of the proposed monument. We have purchased a plot of ground and prepared it. It is a very picturesque plot on the high bank overlooking the Grand River. After the exercises at the park this afternoon the party will be taken back to the Kitchener Park, where a collation will be provided. If it rains the Presbyterian Church has been kindly placed at our disposal and we will have it there.

We have a curator in charge of our museum, which is open every Saturday afternoon for two hours. We find that the interest in our collection grows continually and particularly among school children—high school pupils and the higher grades of the public school—and we think that work is quite worth while.

Mrs. David M. McGregor read the report of the Ottawa Women's Historical Society.

Rev. Dr. Wm. Wallis, in presenting the report of the Lundy's Lane Society, said: It is a great pleasure for me to present the annual report of the Lundy's Lane Historical Society. Our Secretary would have been present to read this report, but on account of the meeting being held a little earlier this year, and he being the principal of one of our schools and still on duty, he is not able to be with us. I presume it would not be out of place if the opportunity were given to our school teachers and principals to be at this annual meeting if the meeting were held a little later when the schools are closed.

If the Government cuts off our grant for the future we would have to stop publishing. We have the greatest demand for our publications that we have had for many years, and if the demand increases we will be hard pressed to supply, especially if the publication grant is cut off.

I think I would be warranted in suggesting on behalf of our Society, which

is particularly interested in the war that took place around there and the Battle on Drummond Hill, that if there are any other societies who have manuscripts and material in relation to the war and the events around Niagara Falls, would it not be wise if such material and manuscripts were sent to the Lundy's Lane Historical Society, for we have visitors come to us from all over the world and it would be very nice if we had all the material right in our own room, in place of having to refer these people to other collections many miles away? The Lundy's Lane Historical Society, I think, should be the proper custodian for all literature and manuscripts in relation to the events that took place around there.

Mr. Justus A. Griffin, in presenting the Wentworth Society's report, said: Our President told me a few days ago that he would be here with the report. I have not seen it, but I can perhaps make a short synopsis of the Society's work.

One of the events of the year was the unveiling of a tablet to mark the approximate spot of the landing of LaSalle on the shores of Burlington Bay. We secured a large boulder and at the cost of several hundred dollars we had it transported and marked with a bronze tablet. It was unveiled by the Lieutenant-Governor and a very instructive address was given by one of our members, Mr. Kerwin Martin, which we hope will be published next summer.

We have published during the past year our eleventh volume of papers. The most important paper in this volume is one by Mr. Gardiner on "Hamilton's Stone Age" which was a period about sixty years ago, or it extended a little earlier and a little later, when the principal buildings were all built of stone, largely of cut stone. They are quite noticeable still. Some are being torn down and replaced. It was an exceedingly interesting paper and not only described the buildings but gives in the majority of cases the names and something of the history of the buildings.

Another thing was the giving of prizes to students of county schools for essays or papers referring to the early settlers and their method of living and what they did, but these essays were not exactly up to what we expected. However, prizes have been given during the past year and we have taken steps to further extend that feature. Some sixteen or seventeen years ago we had prizes for schools in the county and had some very excellent ones at that time relating to the general history of the county. The children are asked to gather up information that may be of use in the future, and thus we will contribute to the general history of the county. We hope to carry on this work still further.

The old Military Cemetery at Burlington Heights has been almost lost sight of. It is the old remnant of part of the Burlington Heights Military Reserve. A stone and gravel company was found to be excavating at the Heights and they started to infringe upon the Government reserve and were in a fair way of destroying the picturesque little park which gives a wonderful view to the north, south, east and west of the scene about Hamilton. We have been drawing the attention of the Government to this situation, and I believe they will turn it over to the city, and the Parks Board or the Historical Society may secure control of it. We hope to have it preserved and kept in good order.

There is another thing brought before the Society that I think should have attention. We have done nothing about it yet, and I want to interest some of

the other societies, particularly those that are more nearly affected by it. One of our members has suggested that the highway from the Niagara River leading to Hamilton and Brantford and on west should remain Brock Street in honour of the famous soldier of the war of 1812. In Hamilton it is called Main Street. This road would probably lead from Brock's Monument to Detroit, at both of which places Brock was interested, and it would be a memorial to him to call it Brock Street. We want to interest the Elgin and Oxford and Windsor Societies, and all the rest of the societies that are near it to have that done. We will begin with the Hamilton Council and seek to get it started there.

Dr. J. H. Coyne: The name Brock is already appropriated at the beginning of the settlement in Elgin; the stream at the mouth of which Brock camped has been called Brock's Creek from the first.

Mr. Griffin: We have a Brock Street in Hamilton, but I do not think it is well known.

The Secretary: A large amount of educational work is being done by these societies, and this work deserves to be appreciated by the educational system of the Province. Our work is part of that system and it deserves to be financially recognized instead of having the present grant cut off. We are pleased to see so many present all the way from Ottawa to Windsor, representing all parts of the Province. I would ask all members and visitors to register before they leave.

The meeting then adjourned.

Amongst those whose names were recorded in the register of attendance for the various sessions of this annual meeting, including the foregoing session, were the following (arranged alphabetically under localities):

BRANTFORD—Miss Augusta I. G. Gilkison, S. F. Passmore, Brant Historical Society.

CREEMORE—J. A. Smith, M.B. and Mrs. Smith.

FREEPORT—Mrs. Jean Coutts.

GALT—Horatio Milford Griffin.

HAMILTON—Herbert F. Gardiner, Justus A. Griffin, Wentworth Historical Society.

HESPELER—Mayor D. N. Panabaker, President Waterloo County Pioneers' Memorial Association.

HONEYWOOD—G. C. McGibbon, M.D. and Mrs. McGibbon.

KINGSTON—Very Rev. Dean G. Lothrop Starr, Kingston Historical Society.

KITCHENER—Hervey M. Bowman; W. H. Breithaupt, C.E., President Waterloo Historical Society and President Ontario Historical Society, 1924-5, and Mrs. Breithaupt, Mayor L. O. Breithaupt, P. Fisher, N. C. Helmuth, *Record*; Rev. J. E. Lynn, and many other citizens of Kitchener.

LONDON, ONT.—Prof. John Dearness, London and Middlesex Historical Society.

MORRISTON—Rev. J. W. Hammett, B.D., and Mrs. Hammett.

NIAGARA FALLS, ONT.—Rev. Dr. Wm. Wallis, Lundy's Lane Historical Society.

NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE—Miss Janet Carnochan, President Niagara Historical Society; Mr. J. M. Mussen and Mrs. Mussen, Rev. Chas. H. E. Smith, M.A., and Mrs. Smith.

OTTAWA—Brigadier-General E. A. Cruikshank, James Mitchell, Canadian Archives.

SARNIA—Rev. John Morrison, D.D. (ob.).

SIMCOE—Mrs. Jessie Laing, Miss Carrie A. McCall, Hon. Alexander McCall and W. C. McCall, Norfolk Historical Society.

STRATFORD—R. Thomas Orr, President Stratford and Perth County Historical Society, and Miss S. E. Orr.

ST. THOMAS—James H. Coyne, LL.D., President Elgin Historical and Scientific Institute, and Mrs. Coyne.

SWANSEA—David M. McGregor and Mrs. McGregor.

THAMESVILLE—Mrs. Katherine B. Coutts.

TORONTO—Mrs. W. H. Becker, Lt.-Col. A. E. Belcher, Mr. J. C. Black, Captain J. S. Carstairs, Rev. Hugh Cowan, M. O. Hammond, *Globe*; A. F. Hunter, Secretary; Dr. Rowland B. Orr, President Ontario Historical Society, 1923-4; Asaph E. Sherk and Michael G. Sherk.

WINDSOR—Andrew Braid and Mrs. Braid; George F. Macdonald and Mrs. Macdonald, Essex Historical Society.

AFTERNOON PROCEEDINGS, JUNE 24, 1924

On Tuesday afternoon the members were driven in automobiles to the site of the memorial to be erected under the auspices of the Waterloo County Pioneers' Memorial Association at the pioneer cemetery on the high bank of the Grand River near the Village of Doon.

Mayor D. N. Panabaker, of Hespeler, President of the Memorial Association, was Master of Ceremonies and read an address of welcome to the visitors. (This is printed in full in Vol. 22 of the Society's "Papers and Records.")

Mayor L. O. Breithaupt, of Kitchener, read a telegram of regret from Mayor Hiltz, of Toronto, at his inability to be present.

Rev. J. E. Lynn, of Kitchener, offered the dedicatory prayer.

General E. A. Cruikshank then addressed the gathering as follows: It is a great pleasure and a great privilege to be here this afternoon and to be permitted to take a minor part in this most interesting ceremony. Our first duty, I think, is to congratulate our good friend Mr. W. H. Breithaupt and his worthy colleagues of the Waterloo Historical Society and Mayor Panabaker and his colleagues of the Waterloo County Pioneers' Memorial Association for the energy, determination, and perseverance which they have shown in collecting, in preserving, and in publishing so much historical material connected with this good county, and also upon the acquisition of this noble site for the memorial which they intend to erect for the pioneers. Look around you, ladies and gentlemen, and I think you will agree with me that this is indeed a glorious scene and there are few places that would be more appropriate to such a memorial, a memorial that is to commemorate the victory of peace and not the victory of war—a memorial to commemorate the making of a country by hard work, continuous industry, determination, thrift, patience and all the virtues which tend to the making of

a good citizen. (After these introductory remarks, General Cruikshank read a paper on the subject, which is printed in full in Vol. 22 of the Society's "Papers and Records".)

Mr. W. H. Breithaupt then read a paper on "The Settlement of Waterloo County". (This paper appears in Vol. 22 of the Society's "Papers and Records".)

Dr. Rowland B. Orr, President of the Society, said: I am sure it is a matter of pleasure for me as President of the Ontario Historical Society to join you in this interesting ceremony. You have selected one of the most beautiful spots that could be imagined in the County of Waterloo. When I look at these broad acres and think of the 124 years that have passed since this was a forest of pine, beech, maple and oak, with the Mississaugas and Chippewas all around; when I think of the 124 years and the changes that have been made, I feel that it is something of a marvel. No one but the very old settlers know the labour that it took to clear these lands and bring them into the state of cultivation in which we now see them. I am glad to be with you and wish you every success. I am sure that if we returned in another year we would see this monument erected, and erected properly.

Mr. M. G. Sherk, a descendant of the first settler at this place, read a paper on "Reminiscences of Freeport, from 1867 to 1873." (This paper is printed in full, with illustrations, in the Waterloo Historical Society's Annual Report for 1924.)

Rev. J. E. Lynn made a brief address on the early religious sects of Waterloo County, which he was obliged to abridge on account of the threatened appearance of rain.

The first sod for the site of the new pioneers' monument was then turned by General Cruikshank and Dr. Orr, after which there was an adjournment to Victoria Park, Kitchener, for evening lunch.

TUESDAY EVENING SESSION

The Chairman in opening the meeting said: I am pleased to see so many here this evening. Truly this is a fine historic spot, well worthy of the meeting here by the Ontario Historical Society. The entertainment we have had to-day, the drive to the bank of the Grand River, and the reception in the park this evening were unique and will long be remembered.

Dr. J. H. Coyne addressed the meeting on the history of

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and said: Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen: I am afraid my talk to-night will have to be an apology. My name is down on the programme for a paper on "The Ontario Historical Society from 1899 to 1924." My intentions were good when I sent in that title, for I did intend to prepare a paper on the twenty-five years of the history of the Society since it was incorporated in 1899. Unfortunately I reckoned without proper consideration for other claims upon my time,

and I found it impossible to prepare the paper which I intended. I hope you will give me credit for good intentions at any rate.

I shall have to give you just a little talk on the original foundation of the Society, especially with reference to the new name of the Ontario Historical Society. But first you will permit me to tender to Mr. Breithaupt and the members of the Waterloo Historical Society my congratulations on the splendid work that that Society has been doing ever since it was initiated. We know what the County of Waterloo is capable of. We know who laid the foundations of it, and to-day we began what will be the foundation of a public recognition of the indebtedness of the people of to-day to those brave pioneers of one hundred years ago and more. We know the wonderful enterprise of the people of Waterloo. Your manufacturers' names are household words throughout Canada. Your city may well be proud of its record of successful educational and industrial achievement.

May I call attention to the fact that you have in this county, and the adjoining county, an output that has not been noticed by previous speakers, and that, I think, deserves to be mentioned? You and your adjoining county seem to have got into the habit of producing premiers for Canada. If it is not Waterloo, it is Perth. So you have Mr. Arthur Meighen followed by Mr. Mackenzie King, and with reference to Mr. King you have that additional satisfaction, that you produced him here in this very City of Kitchener, and not so very long ago, because both he and Mr. Meighen are comparatively young men. I mention these names because they are both personal friends of mine, and the mention of them reminds me of another fact which was overlooked to-day, and that was that you have also produced in Kitchener one of the principal poets of Canada, the late William Wilfred Campbell. Then if you go down the river there are other notable products of the County of Waterloo, down along the valley of the Grand. Not far from Kitchener lived Mr. Whale, an artist very well known when I was a boy. His pictures elicited great praise at that time, and he was followed by Mr. Homer Watson, happily still living, a painter of great eminence. And what shall I say of Sir Adam Beck, another product of the County of Waterloo? His name stands for achievement.

These items I thought I should mention as being matters of historical interest in connection with the Ontario Historical Society's meeting at the City of Kitchener. I admired, as I motored in to Kitchener yesterday from the west, the forethought or the good luck that enabled the original founders of Kitchener to select such an excellent site for the town. To one approaching it from the west, it is a veritable city set upon a hill. Few towns have a finer approach than this approach to Kitchener, with its churches and steeples and high chimneys. You have every reason to be proud of the impression that your city produces upon people from outside, not merely by its appearance of comfort and prosperity, but by its beauty of situation as well.

Now I did not prepare to give you a paper on the Ontario Historical Society, but I may just say a few words with reference to it. The first Historical Society that I know of in the Province was formed at Toronto in the year 1861. That died out. In 1869, the York Pioneers were formed, and they changed the name afterwards to that of the York Pioneer and Historical Society. Two or three of

the original societies began as "Pioneers," afterwards taking in the name "Historical," and then some dropped the word "Pioneer." In 1897, when I was asked to become the president of the then Provincial Society, it was known by the name of the Pioneer and Historical Association of the Province of Ontario, Canada. It had been in existence as early as 1888. When I became president under its constitution the association consisted of just eleven persons, each representing one of the eleven affiliated societies, and eleven times one meant eleven. We came to the conclusion that year that a change would be desirable, and it was especially desirable to give the society or association of societies a more popular appearance by allowing individual members to join. And so, under the authority of a resolution passed, I called a meeting at Toronto, in the spring of 1898, of a number of gentlemen nominated by myself, and I shall just read a short item here in the Annual Report of 1898, to show what was done:

"Pursuant to a resolution of the Pioneer and Historical Association of the Province of Ontario, Mr. James H. Coyne, the President, nominated a Committee consisting not only of members of that Association, but of others who, although interested in historical matters, were not delegates of affiliated societies and therefore not admissible as members according to the constitution, the purpose of which Committee was to consider means for widening the basis of membership; to formulate a more systematic plan of work; to communicate with the Government with reference to obtaining financial aid; to arrange for a permanent central office and to report to the Association.

"The Committee met at the Education Department on the 30th of March, ult., and resolved to report in favour of the scheme drawn up by the President, with one or two minor exceptions.

"A general meeting of the Pioneer and Historical Association was held at the same place on May 23rd following to receive the report of the Committee. Local societies represented were the York Pioneers, Lundy's Lane, Grenville, Thorold, Elgin, Niagara, Simcoe (county), and the Women's Canadian Historical Society of Toronto. The U. E. Loyalist Society, Toronto, was also unofficially represented.

"The Committee's report was taken up clause by clause.

"By more than a two-thirds majority the name was changed to The Ontario Historical Society, and most of the other changes suggested by the report of the Committee were adopted, *nem. con.*"

That is the origin of the Ontario Historical Society as it exists to-day. The Constitution was changed, to allow individual members to join, and at the same time steps were taken to secure a grant from the Government, at first \$500 and afterwards increased to \$1,000. And now, instead of eleven members, each representing an Historical Society, we have not only some scores of societies, each entitled to send representatives, but, in addition, we have over 400 members scattered all over the Province who are taking an individual interest in the Society.

Now I shall not go into the question of the other important changes made in the Constitution, but it might be of interest to some of you to know why one provision was put in it. There is a provision that the Six Nations Indians shall be represented by seven delegates, one for each of the nations. That has

caused a little discussion by reason of the question: How could Six Nations be represented by *seven* representatives, *one* from *each* nation? The reason is historical. As the Constitution was first settled the number six was given as the representation of the Six Nations Indians, but a complaint came from the Indians themselves that although they were called the Six Nations Indians they were in reality seven nations, through the addition of the Ojibways or Mississaugas, a large number of whom had joined them on the reserve. So they asked that the Constitution be changed, and it was changed accordingly to provide for a representative of the Mississaugas. For the first two or three meetings we had representatives from the Six Nations Indians, but, unfortunately, lately they have dropped out. At first they took a great interest in the Society and at the last meeting of the Old Pioneer and Historical Association of the Province of Ontario, as Miss Carnochan will remember, they held a special council meeting of the Six Nations Indians at Niagara-on-the-Lake, in the Old Town Hall, and the chiefs discussed very solemnly, with full parliamentary form, as if they were holding a regular session of the Council, the question whether the Six Nations Indians should become an affiliated society of the old Pioneer and Historical Society of Ontario. They had a long debate, because they had several great orators among them, and in the end they decided, by an unanimous vote, that they would become members.

In the reorganization a wider scope was given to the aims of the Society. They are set forth in full in the printed report of the proceedings of the Special Committee that I referred to, which met at Toronto in the spring of 1898. Now, as to the question of success in accomplishing those aims. I cannot go into it fully, but we have done some very effective work. It is very largely owing to the fact that we had a good Secretary, because in a society of this sort the bulk of the work falls upon the Secretary. At first we had Mr. David Boyle, who had a great reputation as an archaeologist. He was our Secretary for eight years, until 1906. His work was very effective. He took great interest in it, and I think that the Society is under great obligation to Mr. Boyle for his services. May I add that we have the satisfaction of having a thoroughly competent Secretary in Mr. A. F. Hunter, who has given his whole time for a ridiculously small remuneration, and has done excellent work as the Secretary of this Society. (Applause.)

Now among the earliest items that we put upon the programme of prospective work you will find the idea of commemorating important historical events by monuments. Before this Society was formed, there were very few monuments in the whole Province of Ontario. Practically all that have been built since, with the exception of some of those in honour of political leaders, have been built on the initiative, I think, of the Ontario Historical Society and its affiliated societies. I might mention Chrysler's Farm, Lundy's Lane, Stoney Creek, the many memorials at Toronto, Niagara-on-the-Lake and throughout the Niagara District, and others erected directly or indirectly as the result of the stimulus given and suggestions offered by this Society or Societies affiliated with it. There are the monuments to Laura Secord at Lundy's Lane and Governor Simcoe at Toronto, initiated and carried out by committees of this Society. There was the great historical exhibition at Toronto in 1899,

in the year of our incorporation. That was a great exhibition. It was one of the most important historical exhibitions ever held in Canada, in some ways, and it was carried out entirely under the auspices of the Ontario Historical Society, and very largely through the personal efforts of its members living in Toronto.

The result of the stimulus given to the public interest through the widening of the scope of the Society has been shown in the growth of our publications. The Ontario Historical Society has now a record of twenty-one volumes of Papers and Records. These twenty-one volumes are practically invaluable to any person who is interested in the history of this Province. Besides that, we have twenty-three volumes of the annual reports. These include, among other matters of importance, the annual reports sent in by the affiliated societies and our special committees, and also the presidential address, from year to year. Much of these presidential addresses is usually devoted to a historical résumé of matters of special interest in the district where the annual meeting has been held. So that there is a total of forty-four volumes of valuable historical material, which have been issued by this Society alone, to say nothing of the publications of the affiliated societies, which have also been doing excellent work, so that I think we may say that this Society has rendered service which is valuable—valuable to the Province, valuable to the people of the Province, and valuable to every section of the Province, in giving them information with reference to the early history of the Province in general, and of individual localities; information which has stimulated further investigation and increased the demand for books of an historical character in Ontario. I think we may fairly claim some credit for the Ontario Historical Society for that achievement.

I would suggest one way in which the interest of our people in their history might be still further stimulated. Would it not be in the public interest if the Government were to place the publications of the Ontario Historical Society, that is, the "Papers and Records" and Annual Reports, in the library of every collegiate institute and high school of the Province, and the publications of every local society in every public school in the County in which the local society exists. They tell me that the increased desire for historical information in some localities has been very wonderful. High school students in increasing numbers are asking for books dealing with the history of Ontario, or with their own local history. Publishers' catalogues tell the same story.

Now I think it is not necessary to dwell upon the importance of the study of history. We all recognize that; it is recognized universally. It makes no difference under what form of government we live to-day. Revolutions have taken place in recent years in various parts of the world, but almost invariably the new form of government insists upon the young people being taught history. Even in Russia, history is one of the subjects which the government insists that the people be taught. It is very important, in studying history, that we should seek the truth, and I think the effect of the stimulation given by our Society has been to induce people to look for the real facts behind the popular stories found in text-books in the past, and to restate the facts of history in the light of the increased knowledge. That is not universal. In the United States a movement has been started recently to provide, by legislative enactment, that

no historical books shall be allowed to reflect upon important heroes of the Revolution, or leading statesmen of recent times, and that any reflection upon them is to be made a criminal offence. I hope we shall never have to make such a confession in this Province. History is constantly being rewritten as new facts come to light; the facts of history have to be restated, and I hope and trust that Canadian historians will always be guided by the actual facts, and not by the terrorism of crystallized ignorance.

I apologize for having taken up so much of your time. (Applause.)

The Secretary: In addition to what Dr. Coyne has told us, perhaps it may be of interest to tell you that between the time of the first historical society in this Province in 1861, as he has said, and the formation of this present Society in 1888, there were several other attempts to form a Provincial society. I have, in our Provincial Society's archives, the records of some two or three deceased provincial societies. Mrs. Thompson, of Niagara, has also collected particulars of two or three other dead provincial societies that I did not get, and the two of us have at least half a dozen corpses of provincial societies that failed to materialize, or existed for a few months only and then died. In every case the cause of death was "no funds." This Society began in 1888 and in 1898 received its first provincial grant of \$500—and that is what I wish to speak of—it was through Dr. Coyne's personal urging upon the Government at that time that brought the \$500. I think it is due to him to let that fact be known, because that was the beginning of the Society which is living to-day and has been kept living. It has increased, as you have been told, but now that the grant has been cut off we may relapse to that old succession of corpses that I have just referred to. I think that point deserves to be known by our members.

Dr. Coyne: There is just one point I have failed to emphasize sufficiently in dwelling upon the fact that the Society's name was changed in 1898. Since then it has existed as the Ontario Historical Society. But it was in 1899 that we became incorporated by Act of the Legislature of Ontario. Before that we were merely a voluntary aggregation. We have now a record of a quarter of a century as an incorporated body.

Mr. J. S. Carstairs: The speaker's suggestion about placing copies of our records in the high schools is an important one, perhaps more important now than it would have been five years ago, because Canadian history is now on the high school course definitely in the fourth and fifth years. It is in the form of constitutional developments and civics. They have no text-book yet for the fourth and fifth forms. It is a study of the development of the Canadian Constitution from the Quebec Act to the British North America Act. And, moreover, that study is also in the first year of the University, a position that Canadian history never had before. Professor Wrong told me that they were going to have it put on.

The suggestion of placing our publications in the high schools is a valuable one, but I fear it may not be practicable, because I doubt if we have enough copies to supply the Government with a complete set for the high schools, but it may be begun. I suppose Mr. Hunter would greatly regret to part with the treasures, the remnants of his earlier issues. However, the suggestion may take some form and at least it would show the Government that we are not moribund but are alive.

Dr. John Dearness: Mr. President, if Mr. Carstairs chooses to make a motion I will support it, but I think there is a practical obstacle. I doubt if there is stock enough of the past publications to carry it out. I think it would please the members of the Society very much if they would have a chance to read Dr. Coyne's paper in the forthcoming copy of "Papers and Records" on this twenty-fifth anniversary of the incorporation of the Society, to have such a résumé of its history. I would be glad to move that Dr. Coyne be requested to prepare a paper setting forth this information.

I remember another Six Nations Council Meeting at our meeting in 1911, when the Six Nations deliberated whether our President, Mr. David Williams, should be made a chief. They went through their very serious and solemn operation and finally decided, with great unanimity, that the President should be made a chief of the Six Nations Indians.

Dean Starr: I second the motion that Dr. Coyne be requested to prepare an article on the history of the Society for the next report.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Carstairs: I would like to go back to my suggestion that we offer our reports to the high schools, and perhaps the gift should be in charge of a small committee consisting of the President, Secretary and Treasurer. They may determine the extent—the number of yearly issues to be offered to the Government for distribution in the high schools. I think we should offer to the Government, for distribution, the records of the past two years, and if it is possible to add other publications it shall be determined by a committee of the President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Dr. Coyne: Of course we could not distribute any more than we have. It would be perhaps well to give out what we have.

Mr. Carstairs: It would be wise to keep a good stock on hand.

Mr. Geo. F. MacDonald: In speaking of Commodore Grant, about whom I am to give you a paper, I would say that perhaps this is not of much interest in this locality. What I would like to speak about is how I happened to get material on the life of Commodore Grant. He lived in Detroit and had a considerable connection there. I tried to find out something about him; there is no tablet and no mark to show the exact spot where he lived. In investigating the subject I got a little information from Miss Gilkison, who is a great granddaughter of Commodore Grant. I got quite a little history of him through my questionnaire.

This Society should adopt some form for recording lives of these prominent people of the various neighbourhoods. I have some forms of a particular kind here that I would like to show you. Having tried quite a number of forms, I find this one to be the most satisfactory.

(He then read the form referred to, and his paper on Commodore Grant is given in Vol. 22 of the Society's "Papers and Records.")

General E. A. Cruikshank then read a paper on "The Inception of the Welland Canal," the centenary of which will take place in November. (The paper is printed in full in Vol. 22 of the Society's "Papers and Records.")

The President: I am sure this will constitute a very valuable record for the proceedings of this year.

The session was then adjourned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION.

The Secretary: There is a short report on the programme for this morning which is not included in the other reports that I submitted yesterday. This report is on "The Preservation of Old Cemeteries."

REPORT ON THE PRESERVATION OF OLD CEMETERIES.

A discussion of the condition of many of the pioneer cemeteries having taken place at the annual meeting last year, it received some publicity in the press, called public attention more to this worthy object, and stirred up so much general interest that a brief report upon it will be advisable at this meeting. Information comes to hand from many places where steps have been taken (as a result of the agitation) to clean up the brushwood from these old cemeteries and place them in better condition.

It is not intended to report upon particular cemeteries, but a recent case may be cited for the information of those who may be exerting themselves in this work and as an illustration of what can be done. In the case referred to, a conviction was obtained for trespass and damage to property. The law provides also that a mandamus can be obtained to compel any institution or person owning an old cemetery to keep it properly fenced. It is, of course, injudicious to resort to legal means or proceedings when a peaceable course is possible, but it is nevertheless well to know what can be done in any case of abuse of such properties.

That is the report and all that I wish to report in the meantime. The entire story is not quite all there. In the case that I refer to it happens that my great-grandmother had transferred that particular cemetery to the Methodist body in 1836, and her remains are lying there. Twenty-three years ago I saw that the condition of the place was not what it ought to be. The neighbouring farmer had already started to plow in amongst the graves. The fence had fallen down. I went to the Registry Office in Toronto and found that it was registered and owned in the name of the Methodist denomination at Thornhill, thirteen miles north of Toronto. Then I went to the minister of the denomination and told him for the Board owning that cemetery that I was just one person, that there were many others buried there who had descendants like myself, and asked him if his Board of Trustees would not do something to keep their property fenced, if nothing more. He looked at me and considered for a time, and then he said, "Oh, well, when I die I will not care much whether they plow over me or not," and that was the end of my consultation with him. I mean no harm to his soul, but I do hope that somebody is plowing over him at the present time. (Laughter.)

And what do you think then happened? The Board, having found they were the owners of that cemetery, actually offered it for sale as a potato patch, and it is to the credit of Thornhill that there was nobody mean enough in the place to buy it. (Hear, hear.) It created sufficient agitation at that time, twenty-three years ago, to start them on the right way. Three or four years ago those who have friends buried there raised some \$300 and wanted to fence it. The adjoining property had been sold, the man who had bought it was not

willing to do anything, and before anything could be done the owners of the adjoining lot had to be summoned into the County Police Court in Toronto, where a conviction was registered. It was regrettable that it had to be done, but it can be done if you have to go that far. Now they have erected cement posts at the corners and are putting up a wire fence and it will be preserved for all time.

Col. Belcher: This is a matter that I have at heart, and have interested myself and many others in the preservation of cemeteries. The municipality in which a cemetery is located should be compelled to expend the money needed to make improvements to preserve these old cemeteries. It would not be very much. We claim to be civilized, despite the disgraceful condition of many of the old cemeteries in this Province. Groundhogs are boring holes in the earth, trees are falling over, headstones being upset, and in many ways these places are not fit to bury an animal in, let alone a pioneer of this country. Why not put our hands in our pockets and pay them the due respect they deserve? Pass an Act of Parliament to compel the Council of the municipality to keep these burial places in proper condition and at least pay public respect to those who deserve it. (Applause.)

Mr. Jas. Mitchell: I hope that Colonel Belcher's plan may be realized and that the municipalities be compelled, not requested, to keep these places in order, but I am a little afraid that legislation will not be passed.

It has been my privilege in the past week to be down to the Belleville celebration. I went out in these lovely places because they are so sacred, and I saw so many of these old cemeteries, and my heart grew sick when I saw the desecration such as has been spoken about. Last year when we talked about this matter I thought the idea was that the local societies, when they went home, were to make that a part of their business and see that influence was brought to bear on the responsible authorities. I think that has not been done. How are we going to get it done? We pass resolutions and talk, but nothing practical is being done.

I am not wise enough to say just how we are going to do it. If this legislation can be passed, then we can hope to have something done, but, mark you, it will be done unwillingly even then. We prate about all kinds of beautiful things and yet we go out there and find these places not fit to bury animals in. I could name one of the most beautiful churches in this Province, but in the grounds behind it—it is historic—there is not a person in this room would walk there without rubber boots on. Talk about our Christianity and all that—I call it barbarism! We may let the matter rest with the assurance Colonel Belcher has given us, and I hope it may be verified, but I have some doubts about it.

Senator McCall: The question before us at this moment is one of extraordinary difficulty. I am thinking of my own County of Norfolk, one of the first settled in the Province. I think it was the first settlement of the pioneers in this western Ontario. I can recall twenty or thirty of these cemeteries, family burying grounds, commencing with burials as early as 1800, four or five years after the pioneers came. Many of these burial grounds are now covered, some of them with forest trees, some with brambles and vines. In many cases

the land has passed out to other hands and even no reserve made of a right-of-way to them. One thousand dollars would not renovate the old burying grounds across the front of Norfolk. I question whether the Legislature would impose upon the municipalities that burden. It is largely on the frontier of the Province. The rear counties were settled later, and burial grounds were attached to the churches, and they are maintained in more or less satisfactory condition according to the means and sentiments, perhaps, of the people who control them.

It is well worth our attention to devise some policy. It can only be accomplished by funds. If our Society should receive an endowment from zealous people, well-to-do people, and create a fund and bring an income of \$4,000 or \$5,000, then we might undertake the work of gradually clearing up and renovating those old burial grounds. Some of them are along the highways of Norfolk, and on the brow of the lake. Near Normandale a burying ground was established about 1801 or 1802, when there was a reserve set apart for the public buildings necessary for the District of London—a court house, and so on. There was a fortification erected in 1812. A small plot of four acres was marked on the original map for the burial ground. Tradition is that there were three British soldiers buried there from among the forces stationed there at that time, and then several of the residents of the locality were buried there. In all, there were eleven burials. Attempts have been made to get that piece of land for summer purposes, but our local Society has intervened and it will always be maintained as a part of the public domain, a burial ground attached to the fort of, I think, Fort Charlotteville, in the times of 1812. There is simply a little depression in the ground, but there is a beautiful grove of oaks growing on the four acres, and next year, when we hope to celebrate by the unveiling of a monument, for which we are looking to the Landmarks Commission to erect for us, we will have some proper mark for this burying ground for those people.

The whole question is one of immense interest. I wonder if those forgotten, neglected burial grounds are not typical somewhat of the people who rest there! The story of the movement here has been told often. We heard it yesterday. And we hear it at every gathering, all the struggles, all the sufferings. It has been my privilege to hear the stories from some of those who made the journey from New Jersey across the country to the front of Norfolk. Men who came there twenty years of age in 1795 would not be too old to reach my recollections of 1855 or 1860. I have heard their stories. It is a matter of profound thankfulness to me that I have met and talked to some of these aged pioneers and heard the story of their sufferings. My grandmother was one. The thought that was uppermost in their minds and the only thought—they suffered the loss of their homes for us—was to preserve this country British and live under the British flag. They perhaps were super-loyal, but at the same time men that were willing to endure the mistakes of the Family Compact and overlook them, and were willing to defend the country in 1837, had a pretty good type of loyalty, and I am not ashamed to say I was taught that and I hope to live it through my days. Their lives were hard in their forest homes, making their little clearing in the bush to build their little log houses. The bride of that day, 120 years ago, was just as beautiful in face and form as the bride of these June days. She entered into her log house in her homespun and took up the duties of wife-

hood and motherhood, and they made a race of mothers of whom we may be proud. They now lie in these neglected spots. I think their message to us has been just as strong all these years as ever in the past through the loving care God gave them.

I think their message has been to maintain the home and it has come from these neglected spots just as strong and insistent to hold the heritage as if their burial plots were marked with marble or granite. Let us go on. We will not make much headway until we get funds sufficient to give the places, one by one and year by year, their proper care. (Applause.)

The report of the Resolutions Committee was then submitted by Mr. James Mitchell, as follows:

1. We desire to express our appreciation of, and hearty thanks for, the generous hospitality extended to us by the Waterloo Historical Society, the City Council of Kitchener and the County Council of Waterloo, in the accommodation provided for our meetings and our entertainment, and the sincere welcome received on all hands.

We also express our delight and hearty commendation of the work inaugurated by the Waterloo Pioneers' Memorial Association in setting apart and appropriately marking the burial place of the noble pioneers who did so much in laying the foundations of this splendid county, and we commend their action as an honourable example to be followed in many parts of our Province.

2. That the Ontario Historical Society acknowledges with gratitude the assistance received during the past year from the Ontario Government and especially the Department of Education, particularly in the annual grant and furnishing it with quarters for office accommodation, and in the publication of the annual volumes and the Simcoe correspondence.

3. We heartily recommend that copies of the publications of our Society, as far as may be available, be placed in the libraries of the several normal schools of the province and in all our high schools and collegiate institutes, and that the principals and head masters be invited and urged to identify themselves with the Ontario Historical Society and to co-operate with us in enlisting more generally the interest of our young people and support the local historical societies wherever they exist.

4. That the incoming Council of the Ontario Historical Society be instructed to give early and earnest consideration to the formulation of a plan to secure greater publicity for its work and for events of historical interest generally. It is the sense of this meeting that the work for which we stand should be much better known, and as it is evident that interest in Canadian history is considerably on the increase, advantage of this fact should be taken by the adoption of a more active policy in publicity, such as the appointment of a small committee for this purpose.

5. Resolved, that the Ontario Historical Society express its great pleasure in the recent successful celebration at Belleville of the 140th anniversary of the landing of the United Empire Loyalists, and urge that other communities take advantage of such opportunities to mark important anniversaries of local and national interest. We feel that such celebrations are of vast importance

in stimulating a national spirit, without which the country will fall far short of realizing the unity and progress which we all so greatly desire.

6. That the Government be urged to continue to encourage the work of collecting and publishing our Canadian history, as carried on by this Society and the local historical societies in the past.

On motion of Dr. Coyne and Col. Belcher the first resolution was adopted.

Mr. W. H. Breithaupt: I only wish to say that the City of Kitchener and the Waterloo Historical Society appreciate the distinguished honour of having the annual meeting of the Ontario Historical Society take place in our city.

On the second resolution the Secretary said:

The Government assists us very much in our work. Our offices would probably cost \$1,000 a year if rented. Then, besides that, we get our printing done and that, as you know, would cost a considerable amount, and we should return our thanks most cordially for these favours received.

The resolution was adopted on motion by Col. Belcher, seconded by Mr. Mussen.

On resolution three the Secretary said: This resolution does not say whether these publications are to be contributed gratuitously or sold.

Mr. Mitchell: I think the thought of the Committee was that, so far as we could possibly go, we would distribute them gratuitously.

Dr. Coyne: Would it not be better to ask the Government to furnish them to the high schools? This might be a source of income to us.

Mr. Mitchell: That would be better.

Dr. Coyne: Let it be worded that "the Government be asked to furnish them."

Dr. Dearness: I would suggest that instead of collegiate institutes and high schools, it read "educational institutions, including high schools."

Mr. Carstairs: I move that clause 3 be adopted as suggested.

Mr. Passmore, seconding the motion, said: I suggest that the resolution request that the Department be asked to furnish the Ontario Historical Society publications and support the local historical societies where they exist.

The motion was carried.

Resolution four was carried on motion of Dean Starr and Mr. Macdonald.

On resolution five, Mr. Mitchell, moving its adoption, said: If any of you were at Belleville I am quite sure you will be in favour of this resolution. The commercial idea crept in slightly—being a very poor financier all my life, it is about the last thing I think of—but I gloried in the spirit shown there throughout that celebration. Notwithstanding some things, I think it was a fine and most creditable affair, and those who took part in it deserve every commendation. I want to say to you that I think one of the most commendable things—it was unique, it positively startled our American friends—was Miss Lazier's ride to Washington. It was a splendid advertisement and there was a splendid spirit of friendship shown to that young lady. It would make a charming little chapter if written up. I saw Miss Lazier and asked her to write it. "Oh, well, I will try," she said finally, and I believe she will do it. The whole celebration was a splendid thing, and the only regret to me was that neither the City Council nor the Chamber of Commerce made any appropriation for preserving the story

of that wonderful week. They left it all to anybody, and of course it was nobody's special business. But it will be done, and some one fifty years hence will be reading the story, and I know where he will get the information, and we will all be proud of the municipality that carried through this enterprise.

Miss Gilkison: As one of the oldest U. E. Loyalists, I second the motion for the adoption of this resolution.

Dean Starr: I had the privilege of being present at Belleville and I join in expressing appreciation of the efforts of that city, and its splendid activities in that connection. They even went so far as to arrogate to themselves some of the glory of Kingston, which should have marked the celebration at Kingston a year ago. For example, the St. George's Cathedral commemorates this year its 104th anniversary, and I notice in the *Toronto World* a picture of the first St. George's church spoken of as the first Anglican church in Upper Canada, and in the Belleville celebration there was no reference to Kingston. I would like to see this resolution adopted and notice of our action be conveyed to Belleville.

Col. Belcher: This suggestion is excellent and we should go as far as we can in acknowledging what Belleville has done.

Mr. H. F. Gardiner: When you talk about Belleville I cannot sit still. I lived in Belleville from 1853 to 1869, and Mr. Mitchell's references to the U. E. Loyalist migration brought to my mind the fact that I have heard the story of that migration at very close hand. The late Bishop James Richardson, who was born in Kingston in 1791, told me the story one day when I was a little boy as it had been told to him by Michael Grass, who led the expedition at the request of Guy Carleton. They brought the men from the United States to the Bay of Quinte country. Michael Grass told it to Mr. Richardson when he was a little boy, and Mr. Richardson told it to me when I was a little boy. Some of your mathematicians can figure out the time from 1784 to 1924 and remember that the description of what happened in 1784 just passed through one mouth to mine. This talk about Miss Lazier's trip and the references to people reading about that fifty years hence brings back memories of Belleville to me.

The resolution was adopted.

General Cruikshank submitted the report of the Nominating Committee, as follows:

President, W. H. Breithaupt, C.E., Kitchener; First Vice-President, Lt.-Col. A. E. Belcher, Toronto; Second Vice-President, Fred Landon, M.A., London; Treasurer, J. S. Carstairs, B.A., Toronto; Council—G. F. Macdonald, Windsor; Senator Alex. McCall, Simcoe; James Mitchell, Goderich; Very Rev. Dean Starr, Kingston; Justus A. Griffin, Hamilton.

General Cruikshank: I think it is proper that I should make some observations. The Committee have seen fit to depart to some extent from the usual routine, for this reason: that it has been represented to them that the situation of the Society at present is rather critical and it was deemed necessary, as far as possible in the power of the Committee, to recommend that we should strengthen the Council as far as we can. And for this purpose and in acknowl-

edgment of the most cordial and gracious reception that we have been given in Kitchener, we have seen fit to select Mr. Breithaupt as President for the coming year, which we hope will meet with your approval. (Applause.)

We are retaining the First and Second Vice-Presidents, but we submit a considerable change in the Council, for this reason: that we think it is desirable, most extremely desirable, that we should have a council meeting here before we go away. It has been found difficult, very difficult indeed, to assemble a satisfactory council meeting in Toronto during the interval between the annual meetings. It seldom happens that we can get all the members to attend, as they are scattered all over the Province and they have their own private business to attend to. Consequently, we are recommending two new members in the persons of Dean Starr, of Kingston, and Mr. Justus Griffin, of Hamilton, who, we believe, are most representative men and will add very much strength to the Council.

On motion by Gen. Cruikshank, seconded by Dr. Coyne, the report was adopted.

Mr. J. S. Carstairs submitted the report of the Special Financial Committee, as follows:

It was deemed advisable that the Committee should be continued, to keep in close touch with the situation and probably later in the year they will be able to take action, if action be necessary. At present it seemed nothing could be done. We might look forward to meeting in Toronto at the time of the British Association meeting and forming a deputation, if necessary. The Committee would ask to be continued, with power to add to their numbers as they deemed advisable.

Another point is that the Committee shall take into their consideration the question of raising an endowment. They should face the whole situation so that later they could raise an endowment fund. It is to be hoped they might start such a fund by several subscriptions of \$1,000 each.

The report was adopted.

President Orr: In leaving the chair it affords me much pleasure to hand it over to my old friend, Mr. Breithaupt. I assure you that the officers and members of the Society have assisted me very materially in the work that I have done during the past two years, and I have no doubt that you will find Mr. Breithaupt a worthy successor and one who will give to the Ontario Historical Society the same energy as he has devoted to the Waterloo Historical Society. (Applause.)

Mr. W. H. Breithaupt then assumed the chair and said:

It is with reluctance that I accept the very great honour extended to me, in being chosen President of the Ontario Historical Society, for the reason that I am conscious of the fact that the selection might have been a better one. The Nominating Committee limited its report to one candidate for President, and this I suppose you had to follow. The President of the Ontario Historical Society should be an exponent of Canadian or at least of provincial history. I have no great knowledge of Canadian history and am, in fact, but a beginner. Compared with my distinguished predecessors in this office, my knowledge of the history of our country is rudimentary. However, my endeavour shall be

to measure up toward requirement with what energy I can put forth in this direction. I thank you for the honour. (Applause.)

Mr. J. S. Carstairs: When we were just now in a fervent spirit of gratitude, I was reminded that perhaps we hardly realize that we should express our gratitude to the "Bystander" of the *Toronto Globe* for his services to the cause of Canadian history. I am not sure that we realize as fully as we might that there we have a medium by which we can talk to a far larger audience than ordinarily at our meetings. It gives me great pleasure to say this. I am revealing no great secret. Mr. Hammond is here with us. I would like to acknowledge this service to our cause. I am filling up my scrapbooks very rapidly with extracts from his column.

Mr. Jas. Mitchell, seconding the motion, said: I want to endorse what Mr. Carstairs has said. I have a newspaper man's appreciation of the splendid work that is being done. I hope a lot of you are making scrapbook collections. I began clipping out everything that pertained to Canada in this column, but of course some of the articles refer to other things. Some day these articles will be put in book form. I hope that all of you will try to preserve this in your scrapbooks because of the splendid references to Canadian history. There is no other paper doing as good work; it is a specialty which is unique. I want to add my endorsement to what has been said by Mr. Carstairs.

Dr. J. H. Coyne: I wish to congratulate the Society upon the election of the new President. Mr. Breithaupt is altogether too modest in speaking about his own shortcomings as a student of Canadian history. I happen to know he has an excellent library of Canadian history. I know he has been a student of it and only wish that everybody in Ontario knew as much about the subject as Mr. Breithaupt does. Waterloo has one of the most successful historical societies in the whole Province and we know that its President has been its moving spirit.

With reference to the "Bystander" column in the *Globe*, I wish to add my own very humble tribute. I must say that the press has been giving more attention this year to Canadian history and, speaking generally, they have done excellent work. But the "Bystander" column in the *Globe* is the one I generally turn to first. It is nearly always worth reading. It is patriotic work, useful work, and work very ably performed.

Lt.-Col. Belcher: I want to take the opportunity of thanking the daily *Globe* of Toronto for the work it has been doing for this Society and especially welcome its representative here, Mr. Hammond. I have visited the office and have given expression to Mr. Lyon and Mr. Jaffray concerning him. Although I am an old Tory, I read the *Globe* every day. Mr. Hammond's welcome here is very great.

Mr. H. F. Gardiner: For a good many years I have been keeping scrapbooks largely made up of matters of local interest. A few years ago I began putting these things together into a weekly article for one of the Hamilton papers at the request of the Editor. I said at first that I would not tie myself up to write something every week, but as a matter of fact I have written something every week since that except holidays. However, I am perfectly amazed

at the number of people who take an interest in it. I aim at the grey heads, but think some young persons have displayed a good deal of interest.

Some years ago I presented 250 of my old scrapbooks to the Hamilton Public Library; they are there now, and the ladies in attendance at the reference department say it is amazing the number of people who go to those books. Get the scrapbook habit, and present your scrapbooks to the local libraries.

Dr. Coyne: I should mention here the splendid work Mr. Gardiner himself has been doing in Hamilton. I do not know of anybody doing better work than Mr. Gardiner in keeping alive the interest in Canadian history. The *Orillia Packet* was one of the early papers to publish a series of local articles of a historical character. Mr. Hunter himself, when an editor, was an example by his excellent work. Mr. Donly has done splendid work in the *Simcoe Reformer* and preserved a great deal of interest in the history of the Long Point settlement. In our own town of St. Thomas Mr. Brierley, now living in Montreal, former editor of the *St. Thomas Journal*, offered a medal for the best school section history in every section of the County of Elgin. The result was some thirty or thirty-five medals were distributed. A great deal of valuable history has been preserved through the newspaper press.

Mrs. D. M. McGregor: Some of the best things in scrapbooks are given without the name of the paper or date. It is very necessary to have the paper's name and the date.

Mr. Mussen: I move a vote of thanks to Dr. Orr. I think when we can get a man of Dr. Orr's splendid attainments to give his time for two years for the furtherance of this Society, the least we can do is to extend to him very hearty thanks, and that I propose with the greatest heartiness.

General Cruikshank: I second the motion.

The resolution was adopted.

Dr. Orr: I thank the mover and seconder of the motion and the members of the Society. The work I have done for the Historical Society was a labour of love. For the past ten or fifteen years I have been writing the archaeological reports and dabbling in Canadian history. Mr. Hunter always kept me well informed with the doings of the Society all over the Province. I thank you for your motion and hope that I shall be with you for many occasions in the future.

General Cruikshank: I would like to say a few words here in reference to our obligations to the Secretary of the Society. I doubt whether any of us realize the vast amount of work that is done by Mr. Hunter in the service of the Society. I do not think any money could pay him properly for the work that he does gratuitously and out of his whole-hearted interest and enthusiasm for matters historical. I did wish, in the matter of the publication of "The Simcoe Papers," to express my personal obligations to him in the preface. Mr. Hunter positively refused to have that appear. The publications of the Society this year cover over 800 pages, and that means a lot of editorial work. Mr. Hunter, I believe, has read the proofs of all that matter not less than three times to secure accuracy, and I think that the accuracy that appears in these pages is largely due to him. He has also done entirely all the work of preparing the index of a second volume of "The Simcoe Papers." That is a labour of very

many days in itself. He has done it absolutely gratuitously, as it was outside the ordinary work of the Society.

The Society is in a critical position. It is just possible that when we meet again Mr. Hunter may no longer be our Secretary. The Society may wake up some day and find it is dead, if we have no paid Secretary. I do not mean to say Mr. Hunter is indispensable. If Providence removed him Providence might supply a worthy successor, but we hope that will not occur. We should realize the obligations this Society owes to Mr. Hunter. We should recognize what he has done for the Society. I would like every member actually to know what we owe to him for the work he has done over and above what he is paid for. I do not think it is properly acknowledged by any means. If we do not receive the Government grant in the future I do not see how we can pay a Secretary of any kind, and if this Society has not a paid Secretary it must practically cease to exist—it has got to that stage now that we must have a paid Secretary. I cannot see any way of replacing Mr. Hunter at the present time; we might get an endowment fund, but that is all in the air.

The Chairman: I want to thank Dr. Coyne for his appreciation of my little effort, and to say that the whole object of the Ontario Historical Society is publicity—to ascertain and record the history of Ontario, and this publicity by the *Toronto Globe* is very much appreciated. I want to put the motion of thanks to the "Bystander" column.

Mr. Andrew Braid: Those of us who read the *Globe* and know of the sins and shortcomings of the Tories can always turn to the "Bystander" column and find relaxation.

Mr. Carstairs' motion was adopted.

Mr. M. O. Hammond: I came here to be a silent and interested spectator at this meeting, but I would be less than human if I did not rise and thank Mr. Carstairs, Dr. Coyne, Mr. Mitchell, and the other members for the very kind words spoken of the "Bystander" column in the *Globe*. The work of carrying on that column, which I was requested by the management to undertake, is very agreeable to me, and if it meets with the approval of the members of the Historical Society I am all the better pleased. Unless the people of Canada have a better realization of the interesting past of their country, and take a deeper root in their country, we shall not realize the great future which we all desire and expect for Canada.

The Chairman: I hope there will be no question about Mr. Hunter's continuing as Secretary of the Society.

The session was adjourned.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The Chairman of the Resolutions Committee said: I have been thinking since the Resolutions Committee presented its report that we did not complete one of the ideas we had, and I suggest that we strengthen it by adding a few words in view of the situation with which we are confronted, and in view of the

possibilities—we might strengthen our appeal to the Government or our position before the Government by something like this:

"That the Government be urged to encourage the work of collecting and publishing our Canadian history as carried on by this Society and by our local societies in the past, rather than to curtail that support and centralize the work in any official department."

Now that is the crux of the situation. If they will continue the support we have been receiving we will be able to carry on. If they don't, we fall by the wayside and if the work is to be done at all it is to be done from an official department. And I mean by that no unjust reflection on any department of the Government, but work that is done out of pure love without return in any way by the local Historical Societies and by our own, at our own expense, and because we love it, will be better done than by any paid official. I would like the approval of the Resolutions Committee, and if that is given, to add this to the report already presented.

The Secretary: That follows up what was said yesterday about the Archives Department.

Mr. James Mitchell: If the Government withhold their support we are helpless. We only ask them to do as they have done in the past. If we fall by the wayside there are no facilities for collecting and publishing our local Canadian history, except through a Government department. I challenge contradiction when I say that the work done out of the love for that work will be better done than if done from an official department.

Gen. Cruikshank: That is subject to some objection. I have my doubts whether we should make that direct reference; from "rather" on had better be left out. We don't want any friction with any department of the Government. Does it help us now to include these words? Is it wise to put them in? That is what I question.

Mr. J. S. Carstairs: The Government increased its expenditure on the official side and cut off the grant for the voluntary work.

Mr. Mitchell: I would not have any hesitation in saying to a Government 10,000 strong, there is the inevitable result if you withhold your support, there is only one way to get the work done, and you will not get the same results as you would get from people who do the work from a love for it.

Rev. Hugh Cowan: In regard to the question of grants to the Societies, I understand that these grants are voted from year to year and they are not on a par with grants to schools, which is a part of the Department's work and which are covered by statute. But in regard to grants to Historical Societies, these are given from year to year on the basis of the reports that come in for the preceding year. The grants for 1925 may be yet obtained without any trouble, because that will come in the estimates for next year.

The Secretary: No, that is precisely what is the trouble. These estimates have been cut off. The main estimates passed last session were for the year beginning next October. They are passed a year ahead. Forty-five societies were getting grants. These will not be passed. The time for passing them has gone.

Gen. Cruikshank: Is there any money in hand that might be allocated to these societies?

The Secretary: There might be in the backs of their heads some kind of assistance that has not been disclosed yet, but it has not been discussed in any shape and the matter has been left in the air. The time has passed for getting these grants into the main estimates.

The Chairman: The local societies generally get their grant early in the year. We have been getting our grant not later than February, but this year we have had nothing. The policy of the new board is to try and get this grant restored.

The resolution was adopted as No. 6 (see above).

The Chairman: There are representatives present from several societies from which we did not hear yesterday. I would like to ask Mr. R. Thomas Orr, the president of the new society at Stratford, if he will tell us something of their work.

Mr. Orr: I had no idea that I would be called upon here to-day. The Stratford and Perth County were very fortunate in that we had living there some years ago—about twenty-five years ago—two historians or more in the persons of the Misses Lizars, who wrote "In the Days of the Canada Company," which I think is a work of the first importance in connection with this district, and also William Johnston, who published a history of Perth County. These are text-books for that part of the district. We had a society there about twenty years ago, but it was allowed to drop, and nothing was done until the fall of 1922, when a committee of our Chamber of Commerce felt that it was important that a history of our town and county in the last war should be published in some permanent form and a record kept that would not be forgotten.

Out of that idea our present Historical Society was formed. We went to work and called a public meeting in the fall of 1922. The business men and the people generally in Stratford were quite enthusiastic about it, and we had no trouble in getting a membership of ninety at a fee of \$1.00 each. We depended largely on the \$100 grant that we expected to receive from the Government, but we have never received anything so far and probably have no prospects of it. I think our Society would never have been formed if we had not counted on that. I think cutting off that grant will discourage forming any other Society by the Counties.

We have only one full year's report—1923. Receipts were \$90 from membership fees, \$50 from the City of Stratford as a grant. We went to the County Council and asked for a grant, but they would not give us anything. We are carrying on just the same. We have had four public meetings and five or six committee meetings. We have a large room in the public library which we intend to make into a museum. Perhaps the most important thing we have is the file of a daily newspaper since 1854. This file was rescued from the basement of a newspaper office when it was growing mouldy. You would be surprised at the number of people who come and look at this for "old" information. If we had done nothing else, the preservation of this file would have been worth while. We have had three addresses, one by Mr. Nethercott on "The War of 1812," one by Mr. Tretheway on "The Establishment of the Grand Trunk Shops

in Stratford," and one by myself, which was called "The Story of the Huron Road," dealing with the opening up of the Huron Tract, illustrated with slides. We have created, I think, a great interest among the public in Stratford. Our newspapers are glad to publish anything historical; no matter where we go, people have something to tell us. In regard to the history of the war: with the Colonel of the regiment, the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce and with other assistance, we have secured the names of over 2,000 soldiers. We are sending out questionnaires asking for full information.

This morning I was very much interested in hearing the discussion about publicity in connection with the Belleville celebration. The Rotary Club is putting on a pageant on the first of July, which will last three days; we have a splendid location, sleeping accommodation for 5,000 people, a stage 100 feet long, and intend to put on the history of Perth County, including Champlain's trip to Goderich in 1615, and then right on up to the year 1914. We will have Indians, pioneers and other types; we will show John Galt, Dr. Dunlop, and I think a lot of people will know more about the history of this section than they would otherwise know.

Senator McCall: The officials of the Norfolk Historical Society, that is, the President and the Secretary, are not able to attend this meeting; one is principal of a public school and the other is county school inspector. I am sure they have been too busy to prepare a report. I will make a verbal report—a very brief one.

We have had no important work for the past year except that a monument has been erected on the wintering site of the two missionary priests referred to in Dr. Coyne's address yesterday, and that is now ready to be unveiled and accepted by the Society. A date will be fixed some time in August, perhaps, when notice will be given and the monument will be unveiled.

Steps have been taken to have the site of old Fort Charlotteville marked. This was erected in the war of 1812. I think we have the promise from the Historic Sites and Monuments Board that next summer a monument will be erected there, and there will probably be a ceremony and that will fairly complete the marking of the historical sites in the County.

Another event, although hardly within the line of our work, is the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of St. John's Anglican Church, Woodhouse, on Friday in the first week of August. Bishop Williams will attend and dedicate the parish hall. At the same time proceedings will be taken with reference to the founding of the parish 100 years ago. I make this announcement in the event that anyone here desiring to attend may not get the information otherwise. I made reference this morning to the burying ground at Fort Charlotteville. Whenever the monument is erected there some steps should be taken to mark this place where there are, I think, three British soldiers buried and, I think, eight other residents of that time.

Financially we are bankrupt, if that is important.

Dr. John Dearnness: While Mr. Mitchell's resolution is very good as far as it goes, I feel that it will not give the Government much additional information, and that the result might not be what we desire. This is a vital matter, not only for this Society but for the various societies of the Province, that these

grants should be continued. The Secretary has said that the grants as passed last session in the estimates applied to next year, but the Government later always adopts certain supplementary estimates. I would like to have the Society consider, before we leave this matter, whether we should not circularize all the local societies, informing them fully of the situation, and urging them to instruct their local members to bring such influence to bear upon the Government that the grants will be restored. I feel that the local societies will not think we have done our full duty if we drop it. I think some of them do not know and they have plans for the future. I believe if the rank and file of the Government were informed as to what the Society is doing, they would give their very cordial support to the continuation of the grant by the department.

Therefore, I would move, in addition, that this Society circularize all the local societies about this matter of the grant and urge them to do what they can with their respective local members.

Dean Starr: I second that. The Committee already arranged to take that matter up. This might be referred to the same committee for immediate action.

The Chairman: The suggestion is a good one.

The resolution was then adopted.

The Chairman: We have a very good paper on the programme by Mr. Fred Landon, which I will ask Dr. Dearness, of London, to read.

Dr. John Dearness then read Mr. Landon's paper on "Social Conditions among the Negroes in Upper Canada before 1865." (This paper is printed in full in Vol. 22 of the Society's "Papers and Records.")

Dr. Coyne: I remember very well the Anderson case, although I was only a small child at the time. In Toronto there was the most tremendous excitement over the possible surrender of Anderson. Indignation meetings were held protesting against his being carried back into slavery. An incident mentioned by Mr. Landon in his paper: those who were at Kingston last year may be interested in knowing that the fugitive slave of whom I wrote to Mr. Landon is still living in the midland part of our county. He celebrated his one hundredth birthday a few months ago. He is a highly respected citizen living near New Hamburg. His name is Lloyd Graham. On the occasion of his hundredth birthday the whole community gave a sort of entertainment and congratulated him.

Before the U.S. Civil War, about 1859, I was present at a meeting between that fugitive slave and his former master, who came from Virginia, I think. We boys noticed two Southern planters had come to our little village of St. Thomas for the purpose of persuading former fugitive slaves to go back, so with the natural curiosity of boys we decided to watch them. We saw two men with sombrero hats and followed them to the west end of the town, where we saw two negroes sitting on the edge of the sidewalk, and these two white men came up and spoke to them. The white men told the negroes how grieved the people at home were and how surprised and disappointed they were that the slaves had run away. They asked the negroes if they had not been well treated, and I heard the young men, who were about twenty-five or thirty, say that they had no complaints about their treatment. Then the white men told them

how the children were crying for them and wanted to know would Sambo come back. For a time the negroes seemed to be touched and appeared as though they would like to go back, but finally one of them said: "Well, massa, we won't go back, because in Canada we are free." Now that man, as I mentioned to Mr. Landon, that man is still alive in New Hamburg in the County of Elgin. He has just celebrated his hundredth birthday.

Rev. Dr. John Morrison: Some time ago I had occasion to spend a Sunday in South Buxton, where Rev. Dr. King did his great work in behalf of fugitive slaves. The Presbyterian minister there said there are two things I would like you to see before you return. One was a copy of a letter prepared for the Elgin Association and the other was one of the finest pieces of mat work I had seen. I went over to the farm of Rev. Dr. King and saw what is left of it. The remaining building is a cow stable. The Presbyterian minister told me that some time ago a man from Virginia had come to this farm and picked up some relics because of his interest in Dr. King who afterwards lived in Virginia.

The Secretary: There is so much for the Council to do at this meeting that it may be well for us to begin its work now (3 p.m.).

The Chairman: The local society has appreciated this meeting. Those of you who have not yet seen the Waterloo Historical Society's museum should do so now. The rooms are open.

The meeting was then adjourned.

A number of the members attended the meeting at Guelph at 8 p.m., on the same day (25th), held under the auspices of the newly organized Wellington Historical Society, Roswell Goldie, Esq., president of that society, presiding. Papers and addresses were given as follows:

Andrew Braid: "John Galt—Canadian Pioneer."

J. S. Carstairs, B.A.: "Local Historical Literature for Schools."

A. F. Hunter, M.A.: "Historical Notes on Finance in the Great War and Afterward."

These papers are published in full in the Society's "Papers and Records," Vol. 22.

After the papers had been presented, there was a discussion of topics, chiefly local in their application, in which the following took part: Miss A. I. G. Gilkison, W. H. Breithaupt, Dr. Jas. H. Coyne, General E. A. Cruikshank, Dr. W. Tytler and others. The topics included the restoration of the "Priory" at Guelph and other matters for the consideration of the new society, which begins its work under auspicious circumstances.

The adjournment of this meeting brought to a close the work of the annual meeting for 1924.

APPENDIX I

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT, 1923-4

At this close of its yearly duties, the Society completes thirty-six years of existence and twenty-six years of executive work. Every part of this Province has a history peculiarly its own, and the history of the district in which we now meet is not less interesting than that of any other. This region has been noted as one of the best industrial sections in Canada, and it is a satisfaction that the Society is enabled to convene this year where the peaceful course of events has been different from that of many war-scarred parts of the frontier where martial landmarks are cherished in abundance. Moreover, the worthy activities of the president and the members of the Waterloo Historical Society in the development of the history of this district will also contribute largely to make this visit of exceptional interest.

MEMBERSHIP

The members whom this Society has lost through death since the last report was printed are: Dr. C. K. Clarke, Toronto; Francis Cleary, Windsor; James E. Farewell, LL.B., K.C., Whitby; Andrew W. Fleck, Ottawa; Lt.-Col. James George, Toronto; Alexander C. Osborne, Penetanguishene; Hon. Featherston Osler, Toronto; T. H. Purdom, K.C., President of the London and Middlesex Historical Society, London; and Sir Edmund Walker, Toronto. The list reminds us once more of the large place the legal profession occupies in the Society's membership roll. (Since the foregoing list was written, the deaths have occurred of the following members: F. J. French, K.C., President of the Grenville Pioneer and Historical Society, Prescott; David A. Dunlap, Esq., Toronto; W. Francis, K.C., Toronto; Herbert F. Gardiner, M.A., Hamilton; Rev. John Morrison, D.D., Sarnia; Sir Edmund B. Osler, Toronto; Rev. R. I. Warner, M.A., D.D., St. Thomas. Of these additional members, Mr. French, Mr. Gardiner and the Rev. Dr. Morrison had contributed to the publications of this Society, more than once in each case.)

Twenty-six new members have joined the Society.

In connection with the death of Mr. Osborne, it is worthy of remark that of all those men of an earlier generation who supplied original material for the 340 pages of the published papers of the Simcoe County Society from fifteen to twenty years ago, not one now survives.

The members number at this date: annual, 317; ex-officio, 51; delegate, 19; honorary, 5; corresponding, 8; life, 2; making a total of 402.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

The office receipts for the year have been \$363 in members' fees and sales of publications.

There is some uncertainty arising out of the suspension of the Provincial Government's grant for the year next following the one we are now entering upon, and this will require most serious and immediate attention on the part of the Society. After the end of the incoming financial year, the Society's revenues

will probably have to be derived altogether from the membership fees and the sales of publications. Accordingly, in addition to carrying out numerous economies, more energetic means will have to be used to extend the membership and to increase, still further, the sales.

Different plans have been tried in past years to increase the sales, such as: selecting the material so as to spread it as widely as possible and make it interesting to all parts of the Province; using more illustrations; and finally, binding the "Papers and Records" volumes in cloth. Even if no more books are annually published than at present, sales of these might yet be much improved by more energetic work on the part of the present members. The reduction of the cash balance in hand from \$601.90 last year to \$360.95 this year is due to the extra expense incurred for the above-mentioned cloth binding and more illustrations this year in Vol. XXI. The members have received the benefit of this extra cost, but there was only a slight improvement in the cash receipts as a result of it. As a result of the change in the regulations made by the Council last year, a quantity of the books are now remaining in reserve and can be sold. The circulation of "Papers and Records" by sale is thus an arrangement that has given advantages to both the Society and to its members.

PUBLICATIONS

The Annual Report for 1923, issued during the year, contained eighty pages relating to the proceedings at Kingston, the other publications and the business affairs of the Society. Vol. XXI of the "Papers and Records" series, consisting of twenty articles in 261 pages, was larger than any heretofore published by the Society, and was issued for members in cloth binding. This was done after due consideration by the Finance Committee, as the book was larger than usual and of exceptional importance, although it has reduced the balance of cash in hand. The articles contained therein were as follows:

Dundas Street and other Early Upper Canada Roads. W. H. Breithaupt, C.E.
The Life and Times of Major Samuel Holland, Surveyor-General, 1764-1801.
Willis Chipman, O.L.S., C.E.

A Journey from Montreal to Kingston in 1791 (Patrick Campbell's). Brig.-Gen.
E. A. Cruikshank, LL.D., F.R.S.C.

The Contest for the Command of Lake Ontario in 1814. Brig.-Gen. E. A.
Cruikshank, LL.D., F.R.S.C.

The First Session of the Executive Council of Upper Canada held in Kingston,
July 8th to 21st, 1792. Brig.-Gen. E. A. Cruikshank, LL.D., F.R.S.C.

An Address on Unveiling a Tablet on the "Whig" Building at Kingston, Ontario,
to Commemorate the First Meeting of the Executive Council of Upper
Canada, on the 8th of July, 1792. Brig.-Gen. E. A. Cruikshank, LL.D.,
F.R.S.C.

The Early Surveys of the County of Middlesex. W. Harold Dalglish, M.A.

The Two Desjordy de Cabanac at Fort Frontenac. L'abbe G. A. Desjordy de
Cabanac. (English translation by Prof. John Squair.)

Jeremiah French, U. E. Loyalist. F. J. French, K.C.

Notes on the Early History of Kingston, 1792. Miss A. I. G. Gilkison.

Gilbert Tice, U.E. Ernest Green.

The Work of the American Missionary Association Among the Negro Refugees in Canada West, 1848-1864. Fred Landon, M.A.

The Teaching of Canadian History. Prof. D. A. McArthur.

Upper Canada in 1794. (A Synopsis of John C. Ogden's "Tour.")

Pioneer Sketches and Family Reminiscences. Alex. Campbell Osborne.

The First British Courts in Canada. Wm. Renwick Riddell, LL.D., F.R.S.C.

The Criminal Law in Reference to Marriage in Upper Canada. Wm. Renwick Riddell, LL.D., F.R.S.C.

The Bidwell Elections—A Political Episode in Upper Canada a Century Ago. Wm. Renwick Riddell, LL.D., F.R.S.C.

A Forgotten Canadian Poet. (Bishop Mountain). Wm. Renwick Riddell, LL.D., F.R.S.C.

Some Hessians of the U.E.L. Settlement in Marysburgh. The late Alexander Smith.

In addition to the foregoing regular publications, Volume 2 of the "Simcoe Papers", selected, copied and edited by General E. A. Cruikshank, has been brought to completion and is ready for issue. It contains 486 pages, ten maps, a copious index, with many footnotes, and is placed at the service of historical workers and the public generally at the nominal price of \$1 per volume. A description of this volume is given in a supplement to this report.

Altogether, in the year just closing, the publication of material in the three above-mentioned books, all of which are illustrated, has reached a maximum of 827 pages.

Besides the above publications, three articles were transferred to the Archæological Report, issued by the President, Dr. R. B. Orr, who kindly made room for them. The articles were on subjects relating to his work, and this transfer reduced the number remaining to be published by the Society itself. As in former years, he also, as director of the Provincial Archæological Museum, generously sent his annual report for 1923 to the members.

THE LIBRARY

In this department of the work, the usual number of books and pamphlets have been received during the year, corresponding with former years. (Lists of the donations and exchanges appear on subsequent pages.)

AFFILIATED SOCIETIES

The usual yearly returns have been received from most of the active affiliated societies (and appear in Appendix II of this volume). They show that the instructive work done by these societies at their meetings and in their museums continues to increase. At our last annual meeting the task was laid upon the Secretary of finding from these societies what exchangeable material they have. This inquiry has brought out the fact that material is possessed by them which could be exchanged with other societies and be more applicable and instructive in the latter ones.

At the request of the Handbook Committee of the Conference of Historical Societies, the Secretary sent a questionnaire to the various historical societies in Canada for particulars to be used in the preparation of the proposed handbook. This inquiry has also brought out many interesting facts relative to the work they are doing.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF FAVOURS RECEIVED

In conclusion, for the many benefactions which the Society has received during the year in behalf of its aims, the officers are deeply thankful and herewith tender to the donors their grateful acknowledgements. Their assistance both in library matters and material for the publications will make further useful material available for historical workers.

Respectfully submitted,

A. F. HUNTER,
Secretary.

MR. FRANCIS CLEARY

Some years ago his health failed and he also lost his eyesight. In spite of this affliction, he retained his cheerful spirit, and his extraordinary memory served him well—he could give not only the year, but the month and the day of the month of nearly all events, and once an article was read to him he never forgot its salient features. His death was quite unexpected when it did come.

He was president of the Essex Historical Society from its formation in January, 1904, until December, 1913, when failing health and trouble with his eyesight forced him to resign, but he afterwards filled the office of honorary president until his death. Up to the last he retained his great interest in the Society, and attended a meeting of the Executive Committee held a day or two before his death. He was the author of many papers read before the Society and included in its publications, and also contributed some articles to the annual volumes of the Ontario Historical Society.

During his busy life he found time to serve the community in the city council, and was mayor of Windsor in 1883, 1884 and 1885, besides taking a part in many public movements, and the esteem in which he was held was manifested by the large number of citizens who attended his funeral. (Contributed by Andrew Braid.)

SUPPLEMENTARY NOTE ON

THE SOCIETY'S PUBLICATIONS, 1923-4

THE CORRESPONDENCE OF LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR SIMCOE, WITH ALLIED DOCUMENTS, VOL. II

A feature of the year's work has been the completion and publication of the second volume of the Simcoe Correspondence, edited by General E. A. Cruikshank, with numerous footnotes. The outstanding public men of the day mentioned in this correspondence having been fitly described in the biographical

footnotes of Vol. I, there were fewer personages left to be introduced in this way in this second volume. However, two dozen persons newly introduced in the latest one are thus described in biographical notes. The notes also deal with geographical and other features.

This second volume begins with the military occupation of York (Toronto) at the beginning of August, 1793, and ends with the conflict between Wayne's troops and the Western Indians at the Fallen Timber a year later. The most noteworthy feature of this volume is the growth of strained relations between the British and the United States, notably after the construction of the new British fort on the Miamis of Lake Erie, out of which arose almost an outbreak of war between the two countries.

The war between the United States and the Western Indians continued without abatement, with Brant again much in the spotlight—the same enigma as he appeared to be in Vol. I. No historical work gives the events of this war of the United States against the Western Indians from the British point of view so thoroughly as this Vol. II does, in the official documents. Kingsford had given the firm and pointed replies of Major William Campbell in Fort Miamis to General Wayne of the United States army, but new material on the collateral events of the conflict appears here for the first time. The United States historians, who have persistently represented the British as the instigators of the Indian hostilities against the United States, have surely had their way long enough. This volume brings out even more clearly than Vol. I did the amazing fact that, after the Treaty of 1783, the United States proceeded to the division of the Indian territories into separate states, giving them names, appointing territorial governors, etc., on the assumption that Great Britain had ceded these territories, as far as the Great Lakes, in that Treaty. This was exactly what Great Britain did not do, and there was a complete acknowledgment of the mistake on the part of the United States agents, subsequently. Without a doubt, Governor Simcoe was the most outstanding exponent of this violation of Indian rights, and the looting of the Indian territories without an apology, by the new republic.

The volume is slightly larger than Vol. I, but is sold at the same low price, viz., \$1, which places it within the reach of everyone.

EXCHANGES

	Canada	Books	Pamphlets
British Columbia Historical Association, Victoria, B.C.....	..	1	1
Brome County Historical Society, Knowlton, Que.....	1	1	1
Canadian Archives, Ottawa.....	3	..	..
Canadian National Parks Commission, Ottawa.....	2	2	2
Haight, W. R., Toronto.....	3	..	..
Kingston Historical Society, Kingston.....	..	1	1
Lennox and Addington Historical Society, Napanee.....	..	1	1
Niagara Historical Society.....	..	2	2
Ontario Land Surveyors' Association, Toronto.....	2	..	..
Quebec (Province) Archives, Quebec.....	4	1	1

Canada— <i>Continued</i>		Books	Pamphlets
Quebec Literary and Historical Society, Quebec	2	..	..
Queen's Quarterly, Kingston (Vol. 31)	1	..	..
Royal Canadian Institute, Toronto	2	..	..
Royal Society of Canada, Ottawa (Vol. 17, etc.)	1	1	1
Thunder Bay Historical Society (No. 14)	..	2	2
Toronto, University of, Library (Vol. 4)	1	..	..
Waterloo Historical Society, Kitchener	..	1	1
Women's Canadian Historical Society of Ottawa	3	1	1
Women's Canadian Historical Society of Toronto	..	1	1
Worden, J. C., Toronto	45	5	5
York Pioneer and Historical Society, Toronto	..	1	1
	70	21	
United States			
American Historical Association, Washington, D.C.	..	3	3
Boston Public Library	1	1	1
Bureau of American Ethnology, Washington	2	..	..
California, University of, Berkeley, Cal. (Vol. 26)	1	..	..
Conference of Historical Societies	..	4	4
Congress, Library of, Washington, D.C. (Report, 1923)	1	..	..
Iowa, Historical Department of, Des Moines, Ia.	..	6	6
Iowa State Historical Society, Iowa City, Ia. (Vol. 21, etc.)	2	..	..
Magazine Subject-Index, Boston, Mass.	2	..	..
Medford Historical Society, Medford, Mass. (Vol. 26)	1	9	9
Michigan, Historical Commission, Lansing, Mich.	1	..	..
Michigan, University of, General Library, Ann Arbor	1	..	..
Minnesota Historical Society, St. Paul, Minn.	1	8	8
Missouri Historical Society, St. Louis, Mo.	..	1	1
New Hampshire Historical Society	1	..	..
New Jersey Historical Society, Newark, N.J. (Vol. 8)	1	..	..
N.Y. Public Library, New York (Vol. 27)	1	..	..
N.Y. State Historical Association, Albany (Vol. 4)	1	..	..
N.Y. State University, Albany	2	..	..
North Dakota, State Historical Society of	1	..	..
Ohio Archæological and Historical Society, Columbus (Vol. 32)	1	..	..
Rhode Island Historical Society (Vols. 16, 17)	2	..	..
Rochester Academy of Science, Rochester, N.Y.	..	1	1
Smith College, Northampton, Mass.	..	3	3
Texas State Historical Association, Austin, Tex. (Vol. 27)	1	..	..
University of North Dakota, University, N.D.	2	..	..
Vermont Historical Society, Montpelier, Vt.	1	..	..
Washington (State) Historical Quarterly, Seattle (Vol. 14, 15)	2	..	..
Western Reserve Historical Society, Cleveland, O.	..	2	2
Wisconsin Historical Society, Madison, Wis.	1	..	..
	30	38	

British and Foreign

	Books	Pamphlets
Jamaica, Institute of, Kingston, Ja.....	1	..
Kungl. Vit. Historie och Antik. Akademien, Stockholm, Sweden	1	..
Pan-American Scientific Congress, Lima, Peru.....	..	1
Royal Colonial Institute, London, Eng. (Vol. 14).....	1	..
Royal Geog. Society of Australasia.....	1	1
	4	2

DONATIONS

Canadian Publications

Braid, Andrew, Windsor.....	3	..
Buchanan, A. W. P., K.C., Montreal.....	1	..
Canadian Bank of Commerce, Toronto.....	3	1
Carstairs, Capt. J. S., Toronto.....	6	10
Duff, L. B., Welland.....	..	1
Griffin, Justus A., Hamilton.....	1	..
Jarvis Street (Toronto), Collegiate Inst., Editorial Staff, "The Magnet".....	1	..
Laidlaw, Lt.-Col., Geo. E., Kirkfield.....	..	1
Laidlaw, Robert, Toronto.....	1	..
Mayo, Lawrence Shaw, West Newton, Mass., U.S.A.....	..	1
Miscellaneous.....	77	376
Ontario Government Publications.....	2	4
Orr, Dr. Rowland B., Toronto.....	2	31
Page, Frank E., New Dundee.....	1	..
Public Libraries Branch, Education Dept., Ontario.....	1	..
Riddell, Hon. Justice W. R., Toronto.....	..	2
Squair, Prof. John, Toronto.....	..	4
Wintemberg, W. J., Ottawa.....	..	2
Wright, A. W., B.A., Mount Forest.....	1	..
	100	433

United States Publications

Laidlaw, Lt.-Col. Geo. E., Kirkfield.....	..	1
Riddell, Hon. Justice W. R., Toronto.....	1	..
Work, Monroe N., Tuskegee, Ala.....	3	2
	4	3

MISCELLANEOUS

The Society has also received the following:

ANDREW BRAID, WINDSOR.—Parchment deed issued by the Canada Company in 1836.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, OTTAWA.—Standard Map of the Dominion of Canada (35 miles to an inch).

FRANK EAMES, NIAGARA FALLS.—An original manuscript.

DR. ROWLAND B. ORR, TORONTO.—Letterhead (official) of the City of Toronto, 1850; also, specimen of ballot paper in use in the United States general election, 1924.

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NEWSPAPERS AND CLIPPINGS FROM THE FOLLOWING: Amherstburg "Echo"; Mrs. Elizabeth C. Ascher, Niagara-on-the-Lake; W. H. Breithaupt, C.E., Kitchener; Mr. J. W. Curran, Sault Ste. Marie; F. J. French, K.C., Prescott (deceased); H. F. Gardiner, M.A., Hamilton (deceased); Roswell Goldie, Guelph; Ernest Green, Ottawa; William R. Gregg, Oakville; Geo. F. Macdonald, Windsor; St. Thomas "Times-Journal"; Mrs. J. B. Simpson, Ottawa; D. Williams, Collingwood.

1923		OFFICE EXPENSES, 1923-24	
June	6	Supplies for typewriting machine.....	\$2 00
"	30	Postage, June.....	11 75
July	9	Framing water colour.....	1 85
July	13	1 box (500) No. 7 envelopes.....	1 00
"	31	Postage, July.....	8 41
Aug.	31	" August.....	9 24
Sept.	29	" September.....	9 76
Oct.	2	" etc., N.Y. Historical Society Collections...	98
"	15	Letter file.....	50
"	26	3 war books (resolution of Council, March 12, 1920).	1 18
"	31	Postage, October.....	9 07
Nov.	30	" November.....	7 50
Dec.	31	" December.....	8 94
1924			
Jan.	31	Postage, January.....	9 50
Feb.	13	Filing Annual Summary, Provincial Secretary.....	1 00
Feb.	29	Postage, February.....	9 15
Mar.	14	Cartage of annual reports to post office.....	75
"	31	Postage, March.....	9 05
Apr.	30	" April.....	1 25
May	6	1 box (500) No. 7 envelopes.....	75
"	12	1 box (500) No. 8 envelopes.....	75
"	31	Postage, May, and to June 16.....	18 87
June	11	1 box (500) No. 7 envelopes.....	75
			\$124 00

TREASURER'S STATEMENT, 1923-4

Receipts

1923			
June	20	Balance in hand.....	\$601 90
"	29	Ontario Government Grant.....	1,000 00
Nov.	30	Interest on deposits.....	14 86
1924			
May	31	Interest on deposits.....	7 83
June	16	Members' fees and sales of publications.....	363 00
			\$1,987 59

Expenditures

1923		Expenditures	
July	3	650 4-page programmes (Kingston meeting) printed	\$22 99
"	24	Stenographing parts of Kingston meeting, with transcripts.....	37 50
"	24	Postage on Simcoe Papers, Vol. 1.....	28 00
"	28	Photographs of Kingston historic sites.....	7 50
Aug.	17	2 map drawings for engravings in publications....	8 00
Sept.	1	200 letterheads printed.....	4 00
"	1	1,000 circulars (Simcoe Papers).....	7 00
"	1	1,000 order forms (Simcoe Papers).....	4 00
"	1	Printing heads on 230 letterheads.....	2 00
"	1	400 sheets blank paper.....	1 25
Oct.	2	Stenographing parts of Huronia meetings on Sept. 15.....	12 00
"	6	Typewriting parts of Huronia meetings on Sept. 15	1 50
Oct. 19}	15}	Photographs in connection with Huronia meetings	6 40
Dec. 15}		on Sept. 15.....	
1924			
Jan.	29	Photo engravings for publications.....	106 67
Feb.	1	500 manilla envelopes (large) and printed.....	11 24
Mar.	12	Postage on annual reports, 1923.....	16 00
Apr.	4	Binding 400 copies "Papers and Records", Vol. XXI	130 00
"	4	Wrapping 200 copies "Papers and Records" in corrugated.....	14 00
"	4	Sales tax on above two items.....	8 64
April	8	Postage on "Papers and Records", Vol. XXI.....	28 00
May	1	200 subscription forms printed.....	4 00
"	1	400 notices to members printed, with sales tax....	6 50
"	16	500 membership forms printed.....	4 00
"	16	125 order forms printed, Vol. XXI.....	2 00
June	2	Copying and stencilling letters, etc.....	3 20
"	5	500 order forms printed (Vol. 2, Simcoe Papers) and tax.....	3 15
"	6	650 4-page programmes (Kitchener meeting) printed and tax.....	23 10

Expenditures—*Continued*

Secretary, salary.....	1,000 00
Office expenses (per accompanying vouchers).....	124 00
Balance in hand.....	360 95

Audited and found correct.

\$1,987 59

FRANK YEIGH,
W. A. McLEAN,
Auditors.

MUSEUM FUND, 1923-4

1923			
June	1	Canadian Government war bonds.....	\$650 00
"	1	Balance in bank.....	13 56
Sept.	1	Interest on war bond, coupon No. 13.....	12 50
Nov.	3	Interest on war bonds (3).....	4 11
"	30	Interest on deposits.....	27
1924			
Mar.	1	Interest on war bond, coupon No. 14.....	12 50
May	1	Interest on war bonds (3).....	4 14
"	31	Interest on deposits.....	54
			\$697 62

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1924			
May	31	Canadian Government war bonds in hand.....	\$650 00
"	31	Balance in bank account.....	47 62
			\$697 62

Audited and found correct.

FRANK YEIGH,
W. A. McLEAN,
Auditors.

June 23, 1924.

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT KITCHENER, JUNE 24TH, 1924,
AT 9 A.M.

Present: Dr. Rowland B. Orr (presiding); General E. A. Cruikshank, Dr. Jas. H. Coyne, Miss Janet Carnochan, Messrs. W. H. Breithaupt, Geo. F. Macdonald, H. F. Gardiner, Jas. Mitchell and A. F. Hunter.

The minutes of the former council meetings, as printed, were confirmed.

An application from the newly formed Wellington Historical Society for affiliation was laid before the meeting, and,

On motion of Dr. Coyne, seconded by Mr. Breithaupt, it was resolved that: Regular notice having been received by the secretary from the newly formed Wellington Historical Society of its formation and also its application for

affiliation with the Ontario Historical Society, the same be, and is hereby affiliated with the Ontario Historical Society.

The reports by the secretary and the treasurer of the Society's work for the year now closing were laid before the council.

On motion by Mr. Breithaupt, seconded by Miss Carnochan, they were adopted and passed on to the general meeting of the Society.

The meeting was then adjourned.

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT KITCHENER, JUNE 25, 1924,
AT 3 P.M.

Present: W. H. Breithaupt (President-elect, in the chair); Dr. Rowland B. Orr, General E. A. Cruikshank, Dr. Jas. H. Coyne, Dr. John Dearness, Hon. Alex. McCall, Very Rev. Dean G. L. Starr, Colonel A. E. Belcher, Messrs. Geo. F. Macdonald, J. S. Carstairs, Jas. Mitchell, R. Thomas Orr, Justus A. Griffin and A. F. Hunter.

The appointment of standing sub-committees of the Council for the year was the first business.

These sub-committees were appointed as follows:

FINANCE—The President, the Secretary and the Treasurer.

PRINTING AND EDITORIAL WORK—The President, the Secretary, General Cruikshank, Mr. Landon, and Mr. Mitchell.

LIBRARY AND PROPERTY—Prof. Squair, the President, the Secretary, the Treasurer and Dr. R. B. Orr.

MEMBERSHIP—The President, the Secretary, the Treasurer, Mr. Macdonald, Colonel Belcher, Very Rev. Dean Starr, Dr. Coyne, Dr. Dearness, Mr. Griffin, Mr. Mitchell, and Mr. R. Thomas Orr.

On motion by Mr. Mitchell, seconded by Dean Starr, it was resolved that the President and the Treasurer sign the Society's cheques and otherwise transact the banking.

An application from the Algonquin Historical Society (formerly the Georgian Bay Historical Society) was laid before the meeting, and the Rev. Hugh Cowan, secretary of that society, addressed the meeting briefly regarding their work.

On motion by Dr. Coyne, seconded by Mr. Griffin, it was resolved that: Regular notice having been received by the secretary from the Algonquin Historical Society of its formation and also its application for affiliation with the Ontario Historical Society, the same be, and is hereby affiliated with the Ontario Historical Society.

In the matter of the annual meeting of the Society in 1925, invitations from Welland and Windsor were laid before the Council, and the correspondence in reference thereto read by the secretary.

On motion of General Cruikshank, seconded by Dr. Orr, it was resolved, that the invitation of Welland be accepted.

On motion by Dr. Coyne, seconded by Colonel Belcher, it was resolved, That to select the time and programme for the next annual meeting, a special committee be appointed consisting of the President, the Secretary and General Cruikshank.

The meeting was then adjourned.

OFFICERS, 1924-25

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Prof. John Squair, Toronto Ex-President 1916-1918

Geo. H. Locke, M.A., Ph.D., Toronto Ex-President 1919-1920

Brig.-Gen. E. A. Cruikshank, Ottawa Ex-President 1920-1922

Dr. Rowland B. Orr, Tronto Ex-President 1922-1924

TREASURER

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 A. G. Dorland, M.A., Professor of History, Western University.

HONORARY MEMBERS

Carnochan, Miss Janet (1911).
 Colquhoun, A. H. U., LL.D. (1914).
 Cruikshank, Brigadier-General Ernest A., LL.D., F.R.S.C. (1899).
 Hunter, A. F., M.A. (1911).
 Machar, Miss Agnes Maule (1917).

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MEMBERS EX-OFFICIO, WHO ARE VICE-PRESIDENTS, 1924-25, AS PRESIDENTS OF
AFFILIATED SOCIETIES

Ashton, Mrs. E. J., Women's Canadian Historical Society of Ottawa.
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Coyne, Jas. H., LL.D., Elgin Historical and Scientific Institute.
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Geary, Robert W., Lundy's Lane Historical Society (Niagara Falls).
Goldie, Roswell, Wellington Historical Society.
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Hughes, Jas. L., LL.D., York Pioneer and Historical Society (Toronto.)
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Land, John H., Wentworth Historical Society.
Livingstone, Judge L.B.C., Welland County Historical Society.
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Lynn, Rev. J. E., Waterloo Historical Society (Kitchener).
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McCall, Hon. Alex. Norfolk Historical Society.
McCall, Miss C. A., Norfolk Historical Society.
McCall, W. C., Norfolk Historical Society.
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 Green, Hewlett.
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ANNUAL MEMBERS—*Continued*

Price, Chas. F., B.A.	Somerville, Mrs. J. M.
Primrose, Lt.-Col. Dr. A.	Spencer, Rev. Canon P. L.
Raymond, F. W.	Squair, Prof. John.
Read, Miss Eva.	Starr, Very Rev. Dean G. L.
Reason, Henry T., M.D.	Steele, Ralph.
Reed, T. A.	Stewart, John W.
Reford, Robert Wilson.	Stone, Judge Frederick.
Reid, Frank.	Stothers, Robert, B.A.
Richardson, G. H., C.E.	Strange, H. C.
Riddell, Hon. Wm. Renwick.	Strathy, Capt. Gerrard B., M.A.
Robertson, Norman.	Sutherland, Donald, M.P.
Robertson, Col. R. A.	Sweet, Dr. John C.
Robinson, Miss Frances A., M.A.	Sykes, W. J.
Robinson, John W.	Thompson, A. B., B.A.
Rorke, Miss Louise.	Thompson, Mrs. E. J.
Ross, Donald.	Thomson, Mrs. Wm.
Ross, Henry R.	Travers, R. G. H.
Rowan, Miss Georgia L.	Trigge, A. St. L.
Rowell, Hon. N. W., K.C.	Tyrrell, J. B., M.A., F.G.S., F.R.S.C.
Ruddick, J. A.	Van Every, J. F., B.A.
Rumsey, R. A.	Vogt, Augustus S., Mus. Doc.
Rush, Mrs. M. L.	Warner, Mrs. Clarence M.
Ryserse, George J.	Warner, Stanley Clark.
Sadlier, John F., M.D.	Watson, O. K., B.A.
Schrieber, W. Delisle.	Weaver, Miss A. E.
Scott, C. S.	Weaver, Miss Emily P.
Scott, Duncan C., F.R.S.C.	Webster, Dr. J. C.
Scott, Miss Jean L., B.A.	Wetherell, James Elgin, M. A.
Shaw, Dr. R. W.	Whitcher, A. H., F.R.G.S.
Sheppard, Mrs. O. B.	White, Henry.
Sherk, M. G.	White, Mrs. Jas.
Shibley, Fred. W.	White, Miss Margaret.
Shortt, Adam, C.M.G., LL.D., F.R.S.C.	White, Prof. Jas. H.
Silcox, Sidney, D.Pæd.	Williams, David.
Simpson, Mrs. J. B.	Willison, Sir John S., LL.D.
Simpson, J. Cradock.	Wilson, C. Lesslie.
Sinclair, Victor A., K.C.	Wilson, Major Percy B.
Smith, Rev. Chas. H. E.	Wintemberg, William J.
Smith, Judge George.	Witton, H. B.
Smith, J. A., M.B.	Wood, E. R.
Smith, J. C., B.A.	Wright, A. W., B.A.
Smith, Hon. Robert.	Yeigh, Frank.
Somerville, C. R.	Young, Prof. Archibald Hope.

SUBSCRIBING AND EXCHANGE LIBRARIES

Canadian Archives, Ottawa.
 Canadian Military Institute, Toronto.
 Carnegie, Pittsburg, Pa., U.S.A.
 Congress, Washington, D.C., U.S.A.
 Education Department, Parliament Buildings, Toronto.
 Historic Sites and Monuments Board, Ottawa.
 Law Society, Osgoode Hall, Toronto.
 Legislature of Ontario, Parliament Buildings, Toronto.
 Massachusetts State Library, Boston, Mass., U.S.A.
 McGill University, Montreal.

Newberry, Chicago, Ill., U.S.A.
Ontario Land Surveyors, Toronto.
Ontario Archives, Toronto.
Parliamentary Library, Ottawa.
Provincial Library, Victoria, B.C.
Public Libraries Branch, Education Department of Ontario, Toronto.
Public, London, Ontario.
Public, Toronto.
Royal Canadian Institute, Toronto.
Royal Society of Canada, Ottawa.
University of Alberta, Edmonton.
University of Toronto, Toronto.

FEDERATED HISTORICAL SOCIETIES IN ONTARIO¹

BY A. F. HUNTER

For the first ten years of its existence (1888-1898), the Ontario Historical Society was solely a federation of local historical societies. Then a departure in 1898 made an extension of its membership so as to include annual members at \$1 per year, as well as delegates from the local societies admitted without fee. The cramping experiences which had called for this revision of the constitution were thus removed, and the organization re-established on a broader basis; but by including individual members directly it did not force the Society to give up its federal character in its relations with the local societies.

This dual system of federating the historical societies at the same time that a general society is maintained, has worked fairly well, perhaps partly because of the fact that the Act of the Ontario Legislature incorporating the Provincial society adds to the affiliation between this organization and the local society a feature that is not usual, viz., the society in affiliation with the Ontario Society becomes thereby an incorporated society, with power to hold property, without having to go through the customary form of getting incorporation by an expensive process in the legal offices. The passing of resolutions by both societies, when duly recorded in the minutes of each, completes the incorporation of the applying society, as well as its affiliation, without further trouble and with no expense. The Act which incorporates the Ontario Society is chapter 108, Ontario Statutes (1899), Vict. 62 (2). There is provision for levying an annual fee from each affiliated society, if necessary, but as these societies are needy (several of them receiving state aid as the central society does)² the fee has not hitherto been levied.

In the administration of the dual function involved in the system, for the past eighteen years no serious difficulty has arisen, although some mistakes occur on the part of those who do not understand the constitution; but this is a usual mishap in every line of work. There is no objection coming from either

¹A paper sent to the Annual Conference of Historical Societies at Cincinnati, December 28, 1916, and read by the Secretary of the Conference at the meeting.

²This is not now correct, the grants to historical societies having all been discontinued by the Ontario Government in 1924.

class of participants (annual members or delegates), so we may conclude that it is fairly workable.

Including the societies that were in existence at the time of the reorganization, forty-one societies¹ altogether have affiliated with the Ontario Society, but of this number about half are decadent and moribund, as is usually the case with such organizations, the activity of each depending on the types of persons engaged in promoting it at any particular time.

It is not pretended that perfection has been reached, or that there are no defects. The divergent interests at play, for example, when all these societies are collecting books, pamphlets, and other materials for themselves, might become a stumbling-block, but it has proved to be held subordinate. And there is the chronic lack of funds, felt keenly by all active societies, but in the prosecution of this end this has not proved dispersive or destructive of good-will among the societies.

Amongst the accruing advantages it may be noted that the exchange of ideas on subjects relating to the management and welfare of the various societies is made easier, and is a useful factor to all. The promotion of an effort by one of the societies gets the benefit of the force of all when brought forward in the central society, as for example, a memorial or monument of some kind having a general, as well as a local, interest.

After the final settlement of the functions of the Society on the above lines, some of the more active members realized that the large amount of historical material of an official kind in the executive departments of the Provincial Government ought to receive special treatment. Accordingly, they urged the appointment of an officer to take the care of the official records of the Province, and hence arose in 1903 the Archives Department of Ontario, which is authorized to perform these services. With the Ontario Historical Society (and its affiliated colleagues) still pursuing the unofficial materials of history, and the Archives Department the official materials,² there does not seem to be danger of overlapping of work.

In addition to these agencies, the Historical Department of the Provincial University, Toronto, has issued, since 1896, a carefully edited Annual Review of Historical Publications³ relating to Canada, covering fully the historical literature of the Dominion in general, and of the Province in particular.

With all these different forces at work, therefore, the field of historical research for the Province, not to speak of the Archives Department at Ottawa, including in part the same ground, seems to be fairly well covered.

¹ Forty-three societies have been affiliated up to the end of 1924.

²This division of duties is not observed in connection with the passing of the Act respecting the Bureau of Archives by the Ontario Legislature in 1923.

³This "annual" was discontinued in 1919 and a quarterly has since taken its place,

APPENDIX II

REPORTS OF AFFILIATED SOCIETIES: (Alphabetically arranged).

BRANT HISTORICAL SOCIETY (BRANTFORD)

ORGANIZED MAY 11, 1908)

Officers for 1924:

HONORARY PRESIDENTS—His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, His Honour Judge A. D. Hardy.

PRESIDENT— R. W. E. McFadden, M.A., B.Paed.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Geo. H. Muirhead, Esq.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—F. D. Reville, Esq.

SECRETARY—James S. Rowe, 31 Abigail Ave., Brantford.

TREASURER—E. R. Read, B.A., LL.B.

AUDITORS—Reginald Whale and James S. Rowe.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—The past presidents, president and the secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT

MARCH 1, 1923—MARCH 1, 1924

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand.....	\$371 66
Ontario Government Grant.....	100 00
Membership fees, etc.....	43 40
Bank interest.....	16 06
	\$531 12

DISBURSEMENTS

Advertising account, "Expositor".....	\$9 90
Secretary, postage, etc.....	7 59
Museum supplies.....	10 50
Delegates' expenses to Ontario Historical Society.....	61 20
Balance on hand.....	441 93
	\$531 12

E. R. READ, B.A., LL.B.,
Treasurer.

JAMES S. ROWE, }
REG. R. WHALE, } *Auditors.*

Seven regular meetings of the society were held during the year. The papers of particulars interest were:

"Winnipeg Revisited," by S. F. Passmore, M.A.

"The Ontario Historical Society," by Miss A. I. G. Gilkison.

"History of Secondary Schools in Brantford," by S. F. Passmore, M.A.

"Brant Historical Society," by Miss Gilkison.

The Society has received extensive donations to the museum, particularly from the private collections of Messrs. R. R. Whale, S. F. Passmore, Col. H. F. Leonard, Judge Hardy and Miss Gilkison.

During the year the Society has undertaken several projects such as: The preservation of cemeteries containing graves of U.E.L. settlers; the compilation of data regarding pioneer families in the district; the cataloguing of material in the museum; and the securing of a collection of articles associated with the life of Miss E. Pauline Johnson, Canadian poetess, born at Chiefswood, near Brantford.

R. W. E. McFADDEN,
President.

ELGIN HISTORICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTE

Annual Report for 1923-1924.

Officers for 1924-1925:

HONORARY PRESIDENT—A. W. Graham.

PRESIDENT—James H. Coyne, LL.D., F.R.S.C.

VICE-PRESIDENTS—Mrs. J. H. Wilson, Rev. P. S. Dobson, M.A. (Oxon.), D.D.

RECORDING SECRETARY—J. E. Nelson.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY—Ella N. Lewis.

TREASURER—F. B. Holtby.

CURATOR—Fred. Sutherland.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—K. W. McKay, Rev. Canon J. W. J. Andrew, J. A. Taylor, B.A., I.P.S., J. C. Smith, B.A., I.P.S., A. W. Graham.

The Council of the Elgin Historical and Scientific Institute begs leave to report as follows:

The Institute has had a successful year, both in attendance of members and in the interest of its proceedings.

The annual picnic at the Sells' Farm in the Township of Southwold has become, through the hospitality of Mr. K. W. McKay, the special feature of the Institute's summer programme. Mr. McKay's grandfather was the first occupant and patentee from the Crown, and the homestead has been continuously in the possession of the family for more than a century. The old farmhouse remains, and within its walls are many souvenirs of family or general interest, illustrative of early pioneer life. The picnic for 1923 was largely attended by members of the Institute, their families and guests, and was thoroughly enjoyed by all. After a bounteous supper on the lawn, the Honorary President, Mr. A. W. Graham, called the company to order, and brief addresses were delivered by Dr. Coyne, President; Miss May Foss, Rev. Wilfrid Gaetz, Mr. W. H. Murch, Mr. Fred. Sutherland, and others.

During the season of 1923-1924 the following programme of papers and addresses was carried out:

Oct. 1. "Literary Shrines I have Visited," by W. H. Murch.

Nov. 5. "St. Thomas in 1924," by Dr. J. H. Coyne.

Dec. 3. "The Story of Alma College," by Rev. Dr. P. S. Dobson.

- Jan. 7. "A Century of Secondary Education in St. Thomas," by Dr. A. Voaden.
- Feb. 4. "Judge Ermatinger's New Volume on the Talbot Settlement," by K. W. McKay, Dr. A. Leitch, and Dr. Coyne.
- Mar. 3. "East Elgin Place Names," by Miss Ella N. Lewis.
- Apr. 7. "Sketch of the Life of the Late Samuel McColl," by J. B. Ferguson.
- May 5. "The League of Nations," by J. A. Taylor, B.A., I.P.S.

During the year 8 new members were added to the roll.

The year 1924 is of special local interest, including, as it does, the hundredth anniversaries of the following important events:

1. The erection of the old St. Thomas Church, the first church building between Long Point and Amherstburg.
2. The opening of the Talbot Seminary, the first school of secondary education in the Talbot Settlement, and the direct ancestor of the St. Thomas Collegiate Institute.
3. The opening, by Doctors John Rolph and Charles Duncombe, of the Talbot Dispensary, the first medical college in the Province of Upper Canada.

At the instance of the Institute, these events in the early history of St. Thomas will, it is expected, be suitably commemorated during the summer of 1924.

In connection with the centennial celebration, the Institute has taken steps toward the erection of memorials at or near the following sites:

1. St. Thomas Church.
2. Talbot Academy.
3. Talbot Dispensary.
4. In the Township of Dunwich, the original Registry Office for the County of Middlesex.
5. At Frome, in Southwold, the Frome Church, the first Congregational Church in Canada.

The Treasurer's report shows the finances to be in a satisfactory condition. The list of officers for 1924-1925 is appended.

J. E. NELSON,
Secretary.

JAMES H. COYNE,
President.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS, 1923-1924

April 30, 1923, Cash in bank.....	\$520 05
Membership fees.....	29 50
Interest on Bond.....	16 50
Interest on Bank deposit.....	17 87
Donation by Christina McLarty.....	10 00
Coupons.....	25 00
	\$618 92

EXPENDITURES

<i>Times-Journal</i> , advertising.....	\$16 27
Fifty programmes.....	5 23
Stationery and postage.....	75
Cash in Bank.....	596 67
	\$618 92

F. B. HOLTBY,
Treasurer.

April 30th, 1924.

ESSEX HISTORICAL SOCIETY (WINDSOR)

(ORGANIZED JANUARY 5, 1904)

Report for the year ending May 31, 1924.

Officers for year beginning January 1, 1924.

HONORARY PRESIDENT—Francis Cleary (died March 29, 1924).

PRESIDENT—A. P. E. Panet.

VICE-PRESIDENT—Fred Neal.

SECRETARY-TREASURER—Andrew Braid.

AUDITORS—Fred Neal and Judge George Smith.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Officers as above and Judge George Smith,
George F. Macdonald, G. W. Gray and H. A. C. Maisonville.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand.....	\$50 84
Members' fees.....	23 00
Grant (Ontario Government).....	100 00
Bank interest.....	65
	\$174 53

EXPENDITURES

Photographs.....	\$11 50
Printing.....	7 00
Old Atlas, etc.....	14 00
Postage.....	2 00
Bindings.....	9 54
General Expenses.....	4 05

	\$48 09
Balance on hand.....	126 44
	\$174 53

Number of members last year, 85; number of members this year, 78; number of public meetings held this year, 2; number of committee meetings held, 2; number of books and pamphlets in library, 100; number added during the year, 4.

Lectures during the year, with subjects and names of lecturers, 2:

Professor Malcolm Wallace, Toronto University, "The Early History of Essex County."

F. X. Chauvin, M.A., Windsor, "The Origin of the French Language."

During the year we purchased a copy of Herman Moll's Atlas, containing maps published 1710 to 1720. The maps of Canada and other parts of the Western Hemisphere are dated 1711 and 1712.

ANDREW BRAID,
Secretary.

GRENVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Report for 1923 and 1924.

This Society was organized in 1891. A retrospective account is given in our publication of 1922.

Officers:

HONORARY PRESIDENT—The Right Honourable Arthur Meighen, M.P.

PRESIDENT—F. J. French, K.C. (deceased).

VICE-PRESIDENT—Rev. Canon H. B. Patton.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY—Miss H. L. Henry.

RECORDING SECRETARY—W. S. Johnston, Registrar of Grenville (who permits all records to remain in the County Registry Office).

TREASURER—(Vacant).

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—President, Vice-President and Secretary-Treasurer.

1923

RECEIPTS

July 11—Balance in Bank of Montreal Savings.....	\$6 32
Oct. 31—Interest.....	1 03
Dec. 1—Ontario Government Grant.....	100 00
Interest.....	1 28
	\$108 64

PAYMENTS

Mar. 11—Miss Henry's services copying paid.....	\$5 52
July 9—United Press, Ltd., reprints.....	15 75
Balance on hand in bank, July 11, 1924.....	87 37
	\$108 64

The Society previously spent \$200 in improvements to the grave plot of the Mackenzie family in Blue Church Cemetery.

HURON INSTITUTE

ANNUAL REPORT, MAY 1, 1923—APRIL 30, 1924

Collingwood, Ont., May 1, 1924.

Another year has been closed by the Huron Institute and it is satisfactory to be able to report that the interest of the preceding years has been fully maintained and, as a result, further good work has been accomplished and the museum materially added to by the addition of many very valuable exhibits.

Donations include many pictures of much local historical value. Some of these may be termed current, but as time passes their place, as part of the picture history of Collingwood and vicinity, will become more and more valuable. Our history of the lake marine has been further added to by a number of pictures and letters from that good friend of the Institute, Capt. Jas. McCannell, Master of the C.P.R. Steamer *Assiniboia*, who has continued his faithful and painstaking work of unearthing the story of the past.

In connection with the exhibit of pictures there are two collections that are worthy of special mention, namely, the unveiling of the Soldiers' Memorial of the citizens of Collingwood on Sunday, August 5th, 1923, and the destruction by fire of the historic Collegiate Institute on Friday, December 21st, 1923.

During the year considerable new equipment, chiefly show cases, has been added, thereby permitting a much better display of the exhibits and, in consequence, affording greater pleasure to visitors, of whom there were several hundred.

As in the past, publicity has been no small factor in the success attained. The local Press has been exceedingly generous and to it the thanks of the Institute are hereby tendered.

Throughout the year the assembly hall of the museum has been the centre of different activities of the town. The three chapters of the I.O.D.E., the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Great War Veterans, and the different Home and School Clubs have been extended the courtesy of meeting therein.

To the Honourable Minister of Education the Institute is indebted for the usual financial appropriation. To the Major E. L. Knight Chapter, I.O.D.E., the Institute also makes acknowledgement for a kind donation.

As in preceding years, the annual report has been filed with the Department of Education, the Royal Society of Canada, the Ontario Historical Society and the American Historical Society.

In conclusion, the Institute thanks the friends for the continued interest and for the donations made during the year. Appreciation is hereby recorded of the interest shown by the citizens generally, it being especially pleasing to have evidence of a general recognition of the value of the Institute and its work by the public.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

FRANCES A. REDMOND,
Vice-President.

DAVID WILLIAMS
Secretary.

KENT HISTORICAL SOCIETY (CHATHAM)

(ORGANIZED 1912)

Report for the year ending May 31, 1924.

Officers for year beginning June 1, 1923:

HONORARY PRESIDENT—T. K. Holmes, M.D.

PRESIDENT—J. A. Walker, K.C.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Mrs. J. P. Dunn.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—J. H. Kadwell.

SECRETARY—A. A. Naylor.

CURATOR—J. F. Fletcher.

TREASURER—Walter Watts.

AUDITOR—S. B. Arnold, Esq.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—D. R. Farquharson, J. W. Mustard, M.D., Miss M. E. Macdonell, W. M. Foreman, W. N. Sexsmith, M.A., C. C. Bell, M.D., and J. H. Smith, M.A.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand	\$203 60
Grant, Legislative	100 00
	\$303 60

EXPENDITURES

Printing	\$0 45
General expenses	29 10
Balance on hand	274 05
	\$303 60

Number of members last year, 97; number of members this year, 97; number of committee meetings held, 1; number of books and pamphlets in library, 115; number added during the year, 10.

Lectures during the year, with subjects, dates and names of lecturers:

O. K. Watson: "History of Shrewsbury. January 15, 1924.

Dr. T. K. Holmes: "Egypt." December 4, 1923.

Roy Abraham: "Walpole Indian Reservation." March 18, 1924.

A. A. NAYLOR,
Secretary.

KINGSTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

(ORGANIZED NOVEMBER 10, 1893)

Report for the year ending January, 1924.

Officers for year beginning February, 1924:

HONORARY PRESIDENT—The Rt. Rev. E. J. Bidwell, D.D., Lord Bishop of Ontario.

PRESIDENT—Major-General Sir A. C. Macdonell, K.C.B., C.M.G., etc.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Miss E. L. Mowat.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—Principal R. Bruce Taylor, D.D., LL.D.

SECRETARY-TREASURER—F. Lyman MacCallum.

AUDITOR—Mr. A. N. Lyster.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—The above, together with Mrs. W. B. Carey, Mrs. H. R. Duff, Mrs. N. Fraser, Miss K. Drummond, Very Rev. Dean G. L. Starr, Professors O. D. Skelton, D. A. McArthur, G. Vattier, W. P. R. Bridger, B. K. Sandwell, Mr. P. Du Moulin, Mr. L. A. Guild, Mr. H. F. Price, Mrs. A. Kennedy, Mrs. W. Newlands.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand.....	\$775 72
Members' fees.....	125 00
Grant, Ontario, 1922.....	100 00
Grant, Ontario, 1923.....	100 00
Grant, Kingston (O.H.S. special).....	200 00
Various.....	190 40

\$1,491 12

EXPENDITURES

Rentals.....	\$21 50
Printing and postage.....	96 08
General expenses.....	541 36
Miscellaneous.....	8 30
Balance.....	823 88

\$1,491 12

Number of members this year, 118; number of public meetings held this year, 7; number of committee meetings held, 6; number of books and pamphlets added during the year, 34; publication, Kingston Historical Society Reports and Proceedings, 1923.

Lectures during the year:

"Social History of Ontario," by Prof. Sandwell, Kingston.

"Some Themes of Primitive Life in Greek and Latin Literature," by Prof. Dale, of Queen's.

"Pioneer Life Among the U. E. Loyalists," by W. S. Herrington, K.C., Napanee.

Four bronze tablets were placed during the year, marking historic sites, such as: the landing place of Count Frontenac; the first Parliament of Upper Canada; the home of Lord Sydenham, first Governor-General; and the "Stone Frigate," built in 1789 as the first naval base in Upper Canada.

Several interesting manuscripts were discovered in the library of Queen's University, which have been added to our collection.

Prospects are encouraging for securing the "Martello Tower" in Macdonald Park as a permanent home for the Society.

This year marks the one hundred and fortieth anniversary of the founding of the congregation of St. George's Cathedral, which was the first church in Upper Canada founded by the U.E. Loyalists in 1784 under the leadership of Dr. John Stuart.

LENNOX AND ADDINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY (NAPANEE)

(ORGANIZED 1909.)

Officers for year beginning 1924:

HONORARY PRESIDENT—Clarance M. Warner.

PRESIDENT—W. S. Herrington, K.C.

VICE-PRESIDENT—Mr. M. C. Bogart.

SECRETARY-TREASURER—Rev. A. J. Wilson.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—J. M. Trenooth, Rev. J. H. H. Coleman, J. W. Robinson, E. J. Corkill.

RECEIPTS

Members' fees.....	\$19 00
Grant, Provincial Legislature.....	100 00
Grant, County Council.....	400 00
Grant, Teachers' Convention.....	5 00
.....	20 25
	\$544 25

EXPENDITURES.

Adverse balance.....	\$6 06
Printing.....	141 00
Postage.....	4 00
Caretaking.....	5 00
General expenses.....	20 00
Note to bank.....	330 14
Balance.....	38 05
	\$544 25

Number of members this year, 18; number of public meetings held this year, 5; publications issued: "Papers and Records," numbers 1-11, inclusive; "New Work of Lennox and Addington," Herrington and Wilson.

Lectures during the year, with subjects and names of lecturers:

"Reparations and European Settlement," by Prof. D. A. McArthur.
December.

"Is European Civilization Declining into Barbarism?", by Prof. Prince.
January.

"Last Days of Pompeii," by Prof. Jolliffe. February.

"The Making of the Earth," by Prof. Baker. March.

"A Mediaeval University," by Prof. P. G. C. Campbell. April.

REV. A. J. WILSON,
Secretary.

LONDON AND MIDDLESEX HISTORICAL SOCIETY (LONDON, ONT.).

(ORGANIZED JUNE 26, 1901)

Report for the year ending June, 1924.

Officers for year beginning October, 1924:

PRESIDENT—Major T. J. Murphy, K.C.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Dr. S. P. Reynolds.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—Mrs. Cl. T. Campbell.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY—Z. Fawkes, Colonial Apts., London, Ont.

RECORDING SECRETARY—R. Borland, St. James St.

TREASURER—Miss Stella Macklin.

CURATOR—Dr. S. Woolverton.

AUDITORS—Messrs. R. E. Crouch and Alexander Harvey, Jr.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Prof. Landon, Dr. John Dearness, Dr. Crane, Messrs. John Middlebrook, U. A. Buchner, J. C. Campbell.

During the past year five public meetings were held, at which the following papers or addresses were presented:

1923.

October 23. "Continuation of the History of the Bench and Bar of Middlesex," by Mr. T. H. Purdom.

1924.

February 19. "Ipperwash Beach and Its Vicinity," by Dr. S. N. Woolverton.

March 20. "Some Historic Figures in the Early Days of Western Ontario," by Dr. James H. Coyne, St. Thomas.

April 18. "The Beginnings of the Talbot Settlement," by Prof. Fred. Landon.

May 20. "Negro Migration to Canada after the Passing of the Fugitive Slave Act in 1850," by Prof. Fred. Landon.

During the year the Society suffered a severe loss in the death of its president, Mr. T. H. Purdom.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Balance from 1922-23.....	\$90 73
Interest on deposits.....	4 25
Members' fees.....	8 50
Government Grant.....	100 00
	\$203 48
Expenditures, printing, etc.....	\$40 32
Balance on hand.....	163 16
	\$203 48

Number of members last year, 41; number of members this year, 36; number of public meetings held this year, 5; number of committee meetings held, 4.

Z. FAWKES,
Secretary.

LUNDY'S LANE HISTORICAL SOCIETY (NIAGARA FALLS, ONT.)

(ORGANIZED JUNE 23, 1887)

Report for the year 1923-24.

Officers for the year beginning June, 1924:

HONORARY PRESIDENT—Brig.-General E. A. Cruikshank, F.R.S.C., etc.

HONORARY SECRETARY—J. H. Jackson, C.E.

PRESIDENT—Robert W. Geary.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Rev. Dr. Wallis.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—Miss S. Crysler.

SECRETARY-TREASURER—James C. Morden.

AUDITOR—Miss J. C. Barnett.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—J. H. Jackson, C.E., Miss Crysler, Miss Barnett and Mrs. Anger.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand.....	\$1,022 10
Government grant.....	200 00
Stamford Township grant.....	25 00
Publications.....	12 45
Bank interest and membership.....	33 93

\$1,293 48

EXPENDITURES

Printing, postage, etc.....	\$22 04
Purchases, Historical Museum and subscriptions.....	65 15
Grants, Public Library, re improvement of an old historical cemetery, Stamford Twp.....	75 03
General expenses.....	59 55
Special expenses re the unveiling and dedication of historical monuments at Cook's Mills and Chippawa battlefields	115 44
Balance in Imperial Bank.....	956 27

\$1,293 48

The principal work of the Lundy's Lane Historical Society during the past year has been the carrying out (under the Society's auspices) of several local historical ceremonies—at the request of the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada, and the Department of the Interior, Ottawa.

On July 25th, 1923, the unveiling and dedication of the Cook's Mills battle-field monument, with the co-operation of the citizens of Welland City and Crowland Township, took place, being largely attended and of much historical interest, of which a finely printed report in book form has been issued.

In August the Society was represented by the President and several officers and members at the unveiling and dedication of the battle of Fort George monument and annual picnic of the Niagara Historical Society, which was also a most interesting patriotic occasion. Again, on October 13th, 1923, the unveiling and dedication ceremonies of the Chippawa Battlefield monument

were carried out by the Society, in co-operation with the Daughters of the Empire, the citizens of Niagara Falls City and Chippawa, and Willoughby Township, being a very large and important historical function, with many patriotic and educative addresses, ceremonies by high school and public students, military music, and elaborate decorations, with many noted Canadian historians taking part in the programme. Later, in October, the President and several officers of the Society attended the dedication, by General Cruikshank, of the Queenston Memorial School, addresses being made by two of our officers thereat.

The delegates to the annual meeting of the Ontario Historical Society at Kingston were the Rev. Dr. W. Wallis and Mr. J. C. Morden.

The President has contributed an illustrated historical article (at the request of the Editor) to the Journal of the Society of Army Historical Research, London, England, of which society he has been made an honorary member.

Some interesting historical items have been added during the year to the Society's collection, the most important being a cabinet bookcase of English walnut (from the Homer Dixon collection), which was brought out by the late Prof. Goldwin Smith, D.C.L., LL.D., from England; it is a fine early nineteenth century example of furniture and a most appropriate relic of the great historical writer. A fine large English engraving, too, was secured, of Niagara Falls, and several literary and military relics.

ROBERT W. GEARY,
President.

Niagara Falls City, June 21st, 1924.

NIAGARA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

REPORT FOR 1923-24

The report this year in no respect falls below that of preceding years in membership, pamphlets printed, visitors, articles contributed, requests for information and in some respects is of greater interest. We printed number 35, which tells of the past with articles dealing with events of 1792-1814 down to the present time—the Polish force trained here in 1917-1918, an account of Rev. R. Addison, first minister of St. Mark's; a sermon preached just before the battle of Lundy's Lane, 1814, by Rev. J. Burns, an early minister of St. Andrew's. We reprinted No. 21, "Historic Houses," for which there was a demand, and are now printing what will be number 36, containing some of the papers read during the year—Governor Simcoe, Bridges over the Niagara River, Fifty Years of Peach Culture in the Niagara Peninsula, Milford Lodge, Mrs. John Graves Simcoe, a few pages from the diary of Francis Goring, 1790, account of the Cairn erected in memory of the battle of Fort George.

Among the articles contributed were old maps of the City of London in divisions, dated in early years; fine prints of the noted persons in the Peninsular wars, printed by Jenkins, London, 1814, five coloured and well executed, as Wellington, Napoleon, Alexander, Blucher, also many of the battles; a Canada Directory printed in Montreal, 1854; several volumes of Correspondence of Sir Wm. Johnson, scrapbook given by Mrs. Charles Kingsley in England to

Miss Rye, portrait of Judge Burns and photo of Rev. Canon Garrett; twenty copies of the *Niagara Gleaner* of 1827-8, *Spectators* of 1818, thirty-two copies of Port Colborne *Citizen*, with the history of the first Welland Canal.

Among the addresses given were one by General Ryerson on "The North-West Rebellion of 1885," and "Reminiscences of 1870," by Mr. Geo. Leslie, three on Governor Simcoe and Mrs. Simcoe.

Many visitors recorded their names, from places as distant as Oklahoma, California, England, a school from St. Catharines, a club from Toronto, etc.

But the chief event of the year occurred at the annual picnic, 16th August, the unveiling of the Cairn in memory of the battle of Fort George, 27th May, 1813, with the names of the officers and men who gave their lives on that day. The chief address was given by General Cruikshank, LL.D., F.R.S.C., but there were many other speakers—General Ryerson, Judge Campbell, Col. Hill, Mayor Mussen; the dedicatory prayer was by Rev. A. F. MacGregor, B.A. A large assemblage had gathered from Toronto, Sarnia, Hamilton, Niagara Falls, St. Catharines, as well as inhabitants of the town, among them a few of the veterans of the Fenian Raid. The I.O.D.E. laid a wreath on the cairn, which was unveiled by the President of the Society, who also presided. We rejoice that the Government, through the hands of the Sites and Monuments Board, is placing cairns or monuments at so many points of interest in the history of Canada.

Several of our members attended the annual meeting of the Ontario Historical Society. We have received many orders for pamphlets and in some cases for full sets, if possible. This year in our annual report (the 28th) we printed the complete list of our pamphlets 1 to 36, with names of the writers and subjects. We are preparing to place a bronze tablet on the Court House in memory of Henry Paffard, mayor of the town for twenty-six years, and to whom we owe the beautiful trees on our streets and in the park. We express our sorrow at the loss, through death, of several valuable members—Mrs. Ross and Miss Carmen of Manitoba, Mrs. Price and Mrs. Carroll of New York, and give our thanks to all who have assisted us in anyway.

Officers for 1923-24:

HONORARY PRESIDENT—General Cruikshank, F.R.S.C., LL.D.

PRESIDENT—Miss Carnochan.

VICE-PRESIDENT—Rev. A. F. MacGregor, B.A.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—J. M. Mussen.

3RD VICE-PRESIDENT—Rev. C. H. E. Smith, M.A.

RECORDING SECRETARY—Mrs. E. C. Ascher.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY—Miss Carnochan.

TREASURER—Mrs. C. E. Brown.

CURATOR AND EDITOR—Miss Carnochan.

ASSISTANT CURATORS—Mrs. Bottomley, Mrs. Mussen, Mrs. E. J. Thompson.

COMMITTEE—Alfred Ball, Mrs. Goff, Mrs. Bottomley, G. H. Leslie, F. R. Parnell, General Ryerson.

JANET CARNOCHAN,
President.

NORFOLK HISTORICAL SOCIETY (SIMCOE)

(ORGANIZED FEBRUARY 9, 1900)

Report for the year ending February, 1924.

HONORARY PRESIDENT—Hon. Alex. McCall.

PRESIDENT—H. F. Cook, B.A.

SECRETARY-TREASURER—H. S. Macpherson.

AUDITORS—H. B. Donly and W. C. McCall.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—The officers and the following: Messrs. H. B. Donly, W. C. McCall, F. Reid and Judge Boles.

STRATFORD AND PERTH COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

(STRATFORD)

Report for the year ending December 31, 1923.

Officers for year beginning January 1, 1924:

PRESIDENT—R. Thomas Orr.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Dr. S. Silcox.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—Hon. Nelson Monteith.

SECRETARY-TREASURER—A. W. Fisher, Stratford.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Above officers and Messrs. Jas. Steele, W. J. Anderson, W. Lawrence, R. R. Glenn, J. A. Makins, Lt.-Col. A. W. Deacon, A. J. McPherson, and Mesdames Geo. McLagan, Jos. Orr, Thomas Ballantyne, S. R. McConkey, D. Deacon.

RECEIPTS

Members' fees.....	\$90 00
Grants, City of Stratford.....	50 00
Interest.....	2 10
	\$142 10

EXPENDITURES

General expenses.....	\$26 00
Balance.....	116 10
	\$142 10

Number of members this year (1923), 90; number of public meetings held this year, 4; number of committee meetings held, 5.

We are preparing a card index of all enlistments from Stratford vicinity in the Great War and have about 2,000 names.

Lectures during the year, with subjects, dates and names of lecturers:

J. P. Nethercott, "The War of 1812."

W. H. Tretheway, "The Grand Trunk Shops, Stratford."

R. Thomas Orr, "The Story of the Huron Road."

R. THOMAS ORR,
President.

THUNDER BAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY (FORT WILLIAM)

(ORGANIZED 1908)

Report for the year ending October 1, 1923.

Officers for year beginning October 1, 1923:

HONORARY PRESIDENTS—Sir Geo. E. Foster and Mr. Peter McKellar.

PRESIDENT—Mr. Jno. King.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Mrs. Peter McKellar.

SECRETARY-TREASURER—Miss M. J. L. Black.

AUDITORS—Mesdames G. A. Graham and C. W. Jarvis.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Miss Stafford, Mrs. Jno. King, Major Hamilton, Mr. C. W. Jarvis and Mr. Alex. McNaughton.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand	\$5 00
Members' fees	11 00
Grant, Ontario Government	100 00
	\$116 00

EXPENDITURES

Printing	\$52 25
Postage	5 00
	\$57 25

Number of members last year, 17; number of members this year, 13;
 number of public meetings held this year, 4; publications issued, Annual Report.

Lectures during the year, with subjects, dates and names of lecturers:

1922.

October 27. "Little Pic Silver Mine," by Mr. Peter McKellar.

December 29. Continuation of above paper.

1923.

July 9. "Shipping on Great Lakes," by Capt. McCannell.

September 28. "Exploration in the Kaministiquia Valley in 1857."

M. J. L. BLACK,
Secretary.

WATERLOO HISTORICAL SOCIETY (KITCHENER)

(ORGANIZED NOVEMBER 13, 1912)

Report for the year ending December 31, 1923.

Officers for year beginning January 1, 1923:

PRESIDENT—W. H. Breithaupt.

VICE-PRESIDENT—Rev. J. E. Lynn.

SECRETARY-TREASURER—P. Fisher, Kitchener, Ont.

LOCAL VICE-PRESIDENTS—Galt, J. E. Kerr; Waterloo, C. A. Boehm; Elmira, O. H. Vogt; New Hamburg, A. R. G. Smith; Hespeler, D. N. Panabaker; St. Jacobs, E. Richmond.

COUNCIL—The above and W. J. Motz, J. N. McKendrick, Rev. A. L. Zinger.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand at January 1, 1923.....	\$147 88
Members' fees.....	74 00
Grants.....	275 00
Sundry receipts.....	24 10
	\$520 98

EXPENDITURES

Balance of 1922 Report.....	\$95 43
Printing.....	12 84
Postage and stationery.....	40 46
General expenses.....	121 13
Miscellaneous.....	15 00
Balance on hand.....	236 12
	\$520 98

Number of members last year, 77; number of members this year, 82; number of public meetings held this year, 1; number of committee meetings held, 3; publications issued, Eleventh Annual Report (500 copies).

The eleventh annual meeting of the Society was held in the museum in the Public Library, Kitchener, at 8 p.m., on October the 26th, 1923. There was a good turn-out of members and visitors interested in the work.

In his address, the President, W. H. Breithaupt, reviewed the progress made by the Society during the past year. He sketched the organization of the Waterloo Pioneers' Memorial Association, whose object it is to definitely take up and carry to completion the project of erecting a monument to all pioneers up to 1823 on the site of the first farm of the County.

The address dealt further with early settlement in Upper Canada, particularly of the United Empire Loyalists on the Upper St. Lawrence and Quinte Bay, and in the Niagara Peninsula. Special attention was given the large interior settlement of Pennsylvanians on the Grand River on blocks of land surrendered by the Indians.

Wm. Herriott, of Galt, read a well-prepared account of aboriginal agriculture as practised in southwestern Ontario.

Again, as in former years, family histories have been contributed. This year appears a historical sketch of the Brubacher family and one of the Eby family, as related to the Brubachers.

One of our co-workers has passed away in the person of Miss Elizabeth M. Bruce of Waterloo. A sketch of her life and activities is published.

The late Miss Bruce had under preparation an account of the steps thus far taken to commemorate the deeds and sacrifices of the Waterloo County

men in the Great War. This record has been completed and is printed in the Report. The Ayr Memorial forms the frontispiece.

The City of Kitchener is to be favoured in 1924 by the holding of the annual meeting of the Ontario Historical Society. It is anticipated that this gathering will create considerable interest in the local history of the community.

The museum is open to the public. As the collection contains much of printed record, particularly its newspaper files, it is bound to become of considerable value as time passes.

P. FISHER,
Secretary.

WELLAND COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

(ORGANIZED OCTOBER 29, 1924)

Officers for year ending June 1st, 1925:

HON. PRESIDENT—Brig.-Gen. E. A. Cruikshank, LL.D., F.R.S.C.

HONORARY VICE-PRESIDENTS—Miss Janet Carnochan, Ernest Green.

PRESIDENT—Judge L. B. C. Livingston.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—H. M. McCuaig.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—John H. Thompson.

TREASURER—John T. James.

SECRETARY—Louis Blake Duff.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Mrs. Robert Moore, Miss Theo Fortner, A. W. Jackson.

The above, with ex-Presidents and Secretary, constitute the Council, and three members shall form a quorum.

WELLINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY (GUELPH)

(ORGANIZED MAY 9, 1924)

HONORARY PRESIDENTS—The Warden of Wellington County, William Tytler, LL.D., George Sleeman, Esq.

PRESIDENT—Roswell Goldie, Esq.

VICE-PRESIDENT—David Allan, Esq.

SECRETARY—Dr. Norman C. Wallace, 63 Queen St. W., Guelph.

TREASURER—J. R. Howitt, B.A.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—William Laidlaw, P. Kerwin, W. A. Cowan.

WENTWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY (HAMILTON)

(ORGANIZED JANUARY, 1890)

Report for the year ending June 6, 1924.

Officers for year beginning June 6, 1924:

HONORARY PRESIDENT—Adam Brown.

PRESIDENT—John H. Land.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Justus A. Griffin.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—Chester Walters.

SECRETARY—Fred Hamilton.

TREASURER—E. D. H. Boyd.

AUDITOR—C. S. Scott.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Chas. E. Bull, R. B. Harris, F. Kidner, Kirwan Martin, H. F. Gardiner, H. E. McLaren, R. P. Newbigging, W. F. Moore, T. B. McQuesten, Rev. P. L. Spencer, T. B. Knight.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand.....	\$407 82
Members' fees....	25 00
Grants.....	400 00
Book sold.....	75
	\$833 57

EXPENDITURES

Printing.....	\$19 11
Postage.....	8 77
General expenses.....	31 20
La Salle Memorial.....	278 80
	\$337 88

Number of members last year, 186; number of members this year, 186; number of public meetings held this year, 1; number of committee meetings held, 7; number of books and pamphlets in library, 790; number added during the year, 57; publications issued, "Papers and Records," Vol. 11 (200 copies).

F. HAMILTON,
Secretary.

WOMEN'S CANADIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF OTTAWA

(ORGANIZED 1898)

Report for the year ending March, 1924.

Officers for year beginning April, 1924.

HONORARY PRESIDENTS—Lady Borden, Mrs. A. Meighen.

PRESIDENT—Mrs. E. J. Ashton.

VICE-PRESIDENTS—Mme. Lelievre, Mrs. W. Armstrong, Miss Eva Read, Mrs. J. B. Simpson, Mrs. Braddish Billings, Mrs. Quain, Mme. Fauvel.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY—Mrs. M. L. Rush.

RECORDING SECRETARY—Mrs. W. C. Gullock.

TREASURER—Mrs. A. F. Bishop.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Mrs. W. J. Lynch, Mrs. John Fraser, Mrs. R. Brown, Mrs. E. C. Stanton, Miss L. Stratton, Mme. J. E. Roy, Mme. J. R. Belisle, Mrs. J. C. Saunders, Mme. de Salaberry, Mrs. Gerald Brown.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand.....	\$43 81
Members' Fees.....	64 00
Grants.....	400 00
Sale of Transactions.....	8 15
Other sources.....	84 32

\$600 28

EXPENDITURES

Rentals.....	\$3 00
Printing.....	104 75
Postage.....	11 23
General expenses, including gas fixtures and installing same (\$215.00).....	472 30
On hand.....	9 00

\$600 28

Number of members last year, 80; number of members this year, 128; number of public meetings held this year, 7; Executive Committee met 7 times; number of books and pamphlets in library, 150 bound books and 300 pamphlets; publications issued, annual reports.

Lectures during the year:

Oct. 12	"Ontario Historical Society," by Mrs. E. J. Ashton.
Dec. 14	"Some Canadian Women of the War of 1812," by Mr. Ernest Green.
Jan. 11	"The Fur Trader's Better Half," by Mr. Lawrence Burpee.
Feb. 8	"Canadian Folk Lore," by Dr. C. M. Barbeau.
Mar. 14	"Early Settlement of Meech Lake," by Mrs. John Hope.

(MRS.) M. MAY RUSH,
Corresponding Secretary.

The Society this year has endeavoured to present a varied programme at its meetings, seven in all, two of which were public in character, held in the Victoria Museum, and five others including the annual meeting which was held in the Bible House, Lisgar Street, besides ten executive meetings.

The Bytown Museum was formally re-opened for the season on Wednesday, May 16th, at 4 o'clock. Her Excellency, The Lady Byng of Vimy, attended by Major Archambault, A.D.C., and Miss Rachel Walpole, was received by Mrs. Ashton, President; Mrs. J. L. McDougall, Honorary Vice-President, and Mrs. J. B. Simpson, Curator of the Museum. Her Excellency was shown the exhibit by Mrs. Billings. The tea arrangements were in charge of Mrs. W. J. Lynch.

The installation of gas heaters in the Museum has made it possible to use the building for all meetings except those held in January and February. The number of visitors during the season compares favourably with that of other years.

Miss Eva Read is to be congratulated on her success in securing two members of the society to take charge every Wednesday and Saturday.

Mrs. Billings and the Curator received all contributions of articles, and attended to their arrangement. A complete list of gifts to the Museum will be found in the annual report.

The first meeting of the Society's year was held on Tuesday, October 12th, when Mrs. Ashton presented her report as accredited delegate to the annual meeting of the Ontario Historical Society held at Kingston in July, 1923. This report is published in the annual report. At this meeting a cup and saucer shower was held resulting in over forty being added to the equipment of the Museum.

Mr. Ernest Green addressed the Society on December 14th, on "Some Canadian Women of the War of 1812-14." He said, in part, that the names of Canadian heroines are legion, but that only a few are known. Canadian women showed undaunted courage, and suffered just as much hardship as men during the war. At the meeting on January 18th, held in Victoria Museum, Lawrence Burpee, F.R.S.C., gave an illustrated address on "The Fur Trader's Better Half." Mr. Burpee gave great credit to the Indian women who became the wives of fur-traders, for the comfort in which the men lived.

C. M. Barbeau, F.R.S.C., addressed the Society on Friday, February 8th, in the Victoria Museum; he took for his subject "French-Canadian Folk Lore." The lecture was illustrated by phonograph, and lantern slides.

On March 14th, at Bytown Museum, Mrs. John Hope gave a paper on "History of Meech Lake," dealing with the early settlement, one hundred years ago.

At the annual meeting held on March 29th, 1923, Mrs. S. J. McLean read a paper, prepared by Mme. Casgrain, on the life of Hugh Macdonell, of Glen-garry House, Cornwall, which has been marked by the Canadian Historic Sites and Monuments Board. Mme. Roy, at the same meeting, gave an account of incidents which occurred during the residence of the Duke of Kent in Canada.

Mrs. C. A. Hodgetts gave a tea and money shower at her residence, 700 Echo Drive, on Friday, November 10th, in aid of the upkeep of Bytown Museum. Beautiful examples of choicest pewter, china and statuary were shown to the members and their friends. Mrs. Gullock also granted the use of her home for a tea and money shower on Tuesday, January 29th, for the same purpose. Miss McCann, pianist, assisted by Miss Burke, violinist, rendered delightful operatic selections and Mrs. D. P. McKenna gave a dramatic recitation.

Col. C. A. Hodgetts and Mr. H. P. Hill were requested and consented to become honorary members of this society. The President, Recording Secretary, and Mme. Roy were appointed to represent the Society at the annual meeting of the Royal Society of Canada. The Secretary sent a report of the year's work. Mrs. Ashton was nominated accredited delegate to the annual meeting of the Ontario Historical Society, with the Recording Secretary, and Miss Eva Read.

The Society is in affiliation with the Canadian Historical Association, and is a corporate member of the League of Nations Society of Canada, being the first society to become a corporate member.

Mrs. R. Brown and Miss Eva Read have charge of the Society's scrap-books and each gives a report at the annual meeting.

The conveners of committees during the year were:

Mrs. J. B. Simpson, Ways and Means; Mrs. B. Billings, Printing; Mrs. A. E. Attwood, Programme; Mrs. Kindle, Tea; Miss M. Stratton, Nominations.

The retiring Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. A. T. Bond, was given a hearty vote of thanks for her splendid service during the year.

The Society sustained a sad loss in the death of Mrs. P. T. Keriran, who was one of its first members.

The thanks of the Society are hereby tendered to Mr. W. M. Dunlop, C.A., for his great kindness in auditing the Treasurer's books, and to the press for kindly notices throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS.) C. A. GULLOCK,
Honorary Recording Secretary.

WOMEN'S CANADIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF TORONTO

(ORGANIZED NOVEMBER, 1895; INCORPORATED FEBRUARY, 1896)

Report for the year ending April, 1924.

Officers for year beginning April, 1924.

HONORARY PRESIDENT—Mrs. Cockshutt, Government House.

PRESIDENT—Miss Mickel, 48 Heath Street East.

VICE-PRESIDENTS—Mrs. James Bain, Mrs. E. V. Neelands, B.A., Mrs. Edgar Jarvis.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY—Mrs. Balmer Neilly, 39 Woodlawn Avenue E.

RECORDING SECRETARY—Mrs. J. G. Settle, B.A., Walmer Road.

TREASURER—Mrs. Parks, 69 Albany Avenue.

CURATOR—Mrs. Seymour Corley.

CONVENER OF MEMORIAL FUND COMMITTEE—Mrs. Horace Eaton.

AUDITOR—Mr. A. J. Smith.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Mrs. Leadbetter, Mrs. Sinclair, Miss Roberts, Mrs. Johnstone, Mrs. W. H. P. Jarvis.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand	\$285 34
Members' fees	81 00
Grants	200 00
	\$566 34

EXPENDITURES

Rentals	\$45 00
Printing	176 05
General expenses	28 28
	\$249 33

Number of members, 81; number of public meetings held this year: 7 regular meetings, 1 special meeting at Museum; number of committee meetings held: 8 executive meetings and 2 of the Memorial Fund Committee. Publications issued: Transaction No. 23 (400 copies); Letters from W. Jarvis, Secretary of U.C., and Mrs. Jarvis to the Rev. Samuel Peters, D.D., 1792-1813.

Lectures during the year:

November,	"Sketch of Visit to England," by Miss Mickle.
December,	"The Constituencies which included Toronto and the Members Thereof in Parliament, 1792-1841," by Mr. Justice Riddell.
January,	"Memories of Her Grandfather," by Miss Bonnycastle.
February,	"The Caroline Incident in the Rebellion of '37," by Canon Macnab.
March,	"Trinity College; Its Past and Future," by Rev. Dr. Seager.
April,	"The Yukon," by Mr. Justice Craig.
October,	"Norah Holland's Poetry," by Miss Nellie Spence.

ETHEL S. NEILLY,
Corresponding Secretary.

WOMEN'S WENTWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY (HAMILTON)

(ORGANIZED 1899)

(FORMER LADIES' COMMITTEE WENTWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY)

Report for the year ending June 6th, 1924.

Officers for year beginning June, 1924:

HONORARY PRESIDENTS—The Lady Byng of Vimy; Lady Hendrie.

PRESIDENT—Mrs. Lynch-Staunton.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Lady Gibson; 2nd, Mrs. George Wood Brown; 3rd, Mrs. Phin; 4th, Mrs. Myler; 5th Miss Gibson; 6th, Mrs. Denne.

SECRETARY—Mrs. Bertie Smith.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY—Miss Mary Edwards.

TREASURER—Miss Olive Weller.

AUDITOR—Mr. E. Faulkner Smith.

Number of members last year, 206; number of members this year, 215; public meetings held this year, 2; number of committee meetings held, 9.

Lectures during the year:

January 25th,	"Out of the Way Historic Spots in England," by Senator Lynch-Staunton.
May 9th,	"Canada as an Imperial Force," by Mr. R. H. Kernaghan.

BERTIE E. D. SMITH,
Secretary.

YORK PIONEER AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY (TORONTO)

(ORGANIZED 1869)

Report for the year ending December 31st, 1923.

Officers for year beginning February, 1924:

HONORARY PRESIDENT—Robert W. Doan.

PRESIDENT—James L. Hughes, LL.D.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—J. C. Moor; 2nd, F. C. Jarvis; 3rd, H. D. Ramsden;
4th, W. C. Grubbe; 5th, Mrs. O. B. Sheppard.

SECRETARY—N. F. Caswell.

TREASURER—J. B. Watson.

AUDITOR—J. P. Langley.

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT—Officers, with E. S. Caswell (Chairman);
Hon. E. J. Davis, Chas. W. Nash, Rev. N. Wellwood, Prof. D. R. Keys, Levi E.
Amis, Miss Oates, Mrs. Harton Walker.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand.....	\$336 65
Members' fees.....	674 00
Grants : Ontario Government.....	200 00
York County.....	200 00
Miscellaneous.....	556 44

\$1,967 09

Expenditures.....\$1,591 17

Number of members last year, 1,385; number of members this year, 1,395;
number of public meetings held this year, 10; number of committee meetings
held, 12.

Publications issued: annual report

Ten public meetings were held during 1923, the speakers and their subjects
being as follows:

January,	"The Administration of Justice," by Hon. Justice Coatsworth.
February,	"Technical Education in Canada," by Dr. A. C. McKay.
March,	"Experiences of a Public School Inspector," by James L. Hughes, LL.D.
April,	"Public Life in Ontario Fifty Years Ago," by Alexander MacGregor, LL.B.
May,	"Part I—Rev. Dr. Egerton Ryerson," by Rev. Nathaniel Wellwood.
June,	Open meeting at the Temple, Sharon.
September,	"The Inspiration of the Past," by Rev. Father Minehan.
October,	"Part II—Rev. Dr. Egerton Ryerson," by Rev. Nathaniel Wellwood.
November,	"Some Impressions of the Orient," by Major-General G. Sterling Ryerson.
December,	"The Women in Ontario's Pioneer Days," by E. A. James, C.E.

N. F. CASWELL,

Secretary.

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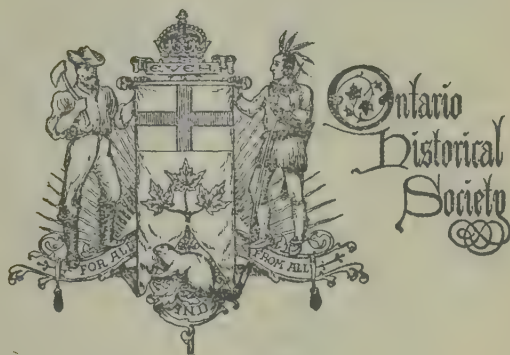
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ANNUAL MEETING AT WELLAND, JULY 2 AND 3, 1925.

MORNING SESSION, THURSDAY, JULY 2.

The meeting was held in the Welland Public Library and was called to order at 10 a.m. by President W. H. Breithaupt, who, after a few introductory remarks, said the meeting would be glad to hear from the Mayor and other representatives of Welland.

Mayor Anderson, Welland: Mr. President and visiting delegates of the Ontario Historical Society: It is my pleasant duty to welcome you to the City of Welland. It is not only my duty, I consider it a privilege—indeed I consider it a great honour to have this opportunity of welcoming the members of the Ontario Historical Society, which I am pleased to do in the name of and on behalf of the people of Welland. I extend to you a most cordial, sincere and enthusiastic welcome. We welcome you because I believe that we appreciate your work. Indeed Welland has always been and shall always be, in sympathy with and interested in any association of an educational nature. For this reason we welcome you and we wish your society all success and godspeed.

We have a little pride in Welland, not entirely an unselfish pride, or self loyalty. We reach out and appreciate what others are doing. While we have local pride we have Provincial pride, Provincial loyalty and national loyalty, and we are sure you need make no apology, Sir, for coming and holding your annual convention in Welland. This district is rich in historic interest. Indeed we can point with pride to the east, to the west, north and south, and on all sides show you places of historic interest.

We appreciate the work that you are doing, as I have said, because it is of an educational nature. You are endeavouring with a good deal of success, as far as I can understand, to perpetuate the name and achievements of those people who have laid the foundations of this country. You are binding up and connecting the links which have been broken. You are doing a real service for the present and rising generation by way of education.

Now it is not my intention to delay these proceedings; I am delighted to have this opportunity to be with you. It is the first time you have met in Welland. We are proud of our local society, in which a good deal of public interest is being taken, and we believe that the interest will spread, and spread rapidly, until the local society will have a very important part in its history. (Applause.)

Judge Livingstone: May I trespass upon your time for just a moment or two, to add a few words to what the Mayor has said. As the President of the Welland County Historical Society, I wish to add my welcome to that given by the representative of the city, and to express the great pleasure of the entire county at the fact that you are meeting here on this occasion. I feel it is appro-

priate that you should meet in this county. Welland County, as you know, has a physical situation of such a kind that it has drawn the attention of the settlers in this country from the very earliest days. I suppose it was settled as early as any other English-speaking part of the country. Within the borders of this county we have the great Niagara Falls, which has attracted attention and made the county famous all over the world. Besides that, some of the main engagements in the war of 1812 were fought here. Also it was here that the Battle of Ridgeway was fought in the Fenian Raid. In all directions may be found points which are likely to interest members of the Ontario Historical Society. Therefore, we are most gratified that you should meet here this year.

Let me say, also, it is a source of great pride to us to know that some of our native sons are so prominently connected with your Society: General Cruikshank, Mr. Green and others. I understand that later in the day we shall have the pleasure of their presence.

In conclusion, let me express the wish that this may be a most successful meeting for the Society.

President Breithaupt: I want to express the sincere appreciation of the Ontario Historical Society for the very complimentary remarks of His Worship Mayor Anderson and of Judge Livingstone, the President of the Welland Historical Society. The Ontario Historical Society is indeed very much complimented in being invited to meet in the historic city of Welland, a place which is the centre of so much of Upper Canadian history, of so much of important Canadian history. In every direction there are fields of great historic interest, touching the War of 1812, the Rebellion of 1837, and more recently the Fenian Raid, which some of us remember—all points of interest clustered around the Niagara Peninsula—and it is therefore with particular interest that the Ontario Historical Society meets in your beautiful city. We appreciate your welcome very much. We want to compliment the young Historical Society of your county on the vigour it has shown in the short time since it was formed.

THE WELLAND CANAL.

The city of Welland has always been associated in my mind with the great waterway you have here. You are on one of the most important waterways of the world. My interest runs to engineering, and in coming to Welland I wanted to present to the meeting a few points of interest in regard to the Welland Canal, from an engineering standpoint. I was interested recently in getting some statistics on the Welland Canal as compared with the great canals of the world. It is one of the five greatest artificial waterways of the world. In final cost, it will compare with the Panama Canal, which was considered such an enormous undertaking that it was almost despaired of ever being completed. The Welland Canal cost, which is estimated at \$100,000,000 by the time it is completed, will place it among the greatest works of the kind in the world. There has already been expended \$51,200,000, to the end of March this year. It is hoped the canal will be completed in 1929.

I want to give you a few figures as to tonnage and vessels. For 1924 the Welland Canal passed more vessels than the Panama or the Suez. The Welland passages in 1924 were 5,361, compared with 5,122 for the Suez, 4,893 for the Panama and 3,316 for the Sault. In tonnage, however, the Panama Canal and the Suez Canal are much greater than the Welland, the Panama carrying 25,892,000 tons of cargo, the Suez 25,529,000, the Welland 5,017,000, and the Sault 4,892,000, in 1924. The Kiel Canal is the other great canal of the world. It is located entirely on German territory, connecting important harbours. The passages through the Kiel Canal were 42,373 vessels with tonnage of 13,434,000, in 1924. The Manchester Canal is in the nature of a port extension and is not here considered.

Transportation generally in Europe is very largely by waterways, and the traffic through the Kiel Canal is largely made up of shipments between different parts of Germany. I give these few facts as reflecting one feature of interest in connection with Welland and the Welland Canal.

I want to again express our great appreciation for the hospitality of the City of Welland.

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Secretary A. F. Hunter: Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen: The President's report ordinarily precedes the Secretary's, but it is desired that I should come first. I wish to add to the President's remarks my own appreciation of the welcome we have received from both Mayor Anderson and Judge Livingstone, and to express the pleasure it gives us to meet here in Welland.

The Secretary then read his report for the year ending June 30, 1925. (See Appendix I.)

That is the report of the Secretary for the year, and I would like to add a few words of explanation regarding some of these matters. Nine members passed away during the year, some of whom were well known to many of you. I regret exceedingly the death of Mr. Justus Griffin, of Hamilton, and Senator McCall, of Simcoe, and two or three others whom I knew better than the remainder. Mr. Griffin had been a member of this Society for eighteen years and attended many annual meetings and had contributed to its publications. Senator McCall had also contributed to its publications, had been a member for about twelve years, and the point that struck me, particularly in his case, was his great appreciation for the pioneers. He was a descendant of one of them himself, as was also Mr. Griffin. Then there was Mr. Haight, of Toronto, who was a son of Canniff Haight. Although not very well known, he was for fifty years connected with the book publishing trade in Toronto, especially of Canadian publications. Mr. George Ryerse, of Simcoe, was a man who was always very much interested in the pioneers.

Now, as to our financial affairs which I have mentioned: I do not think the price of \$2, which I have told you will be charged for the Annual Volume, will break up our Society in any way. I feel sure that the members will respond under the circumstances and the financial difficulties will be partly met. I regret the lateness of this year's publications. The "copy" went to the printers,

or rather to the Department, in November, and it was two months before the decision was reached as to its publication. Then for two months more it was tied up by the printers being busy with the work of the Session. Altogether, therefore, our publications were delayed by four months. I have been able to obtain copies of the Papers and Records and the new volume of the Simcoe Papers to bring to this meeting and show them to you. The Papers and Records volume is not yet bound in cloth, but that will be done in a few days and the volume will be ready for issue. I am recommending that the local societies be given a commission on sales, and that will be taken up at the meeting of the Council to-morrow afternoon.

Now, as to the Simcoe Papers, this is the third volume of the series. This volume extends from the Battle of the Fallen Timber between the United States forces and the Indians, which is the point that was reached in the second volume, and goes on to the end of the agreement by Jay's Treaty. I wish there were time to go into some of the interesting details of this third volume. It is quite as interesting as the former two volumes and would make a very good paper if someone would describe it. In the three years of Simcoe's regime, which are now covered by the three volumes that have been issued, there has been a marvellous change in the Province of Upper Canada. We begin in the first volume without any government in Upper Canada other than it being an appendage of Lower Canada. All the geographical names were French, and now under Governor Simcoe for three years it has become a distinct British Province with British institutions; and the change, as you will see in the third volume, has been marvellous. As I said, I wish I could go into that more fully. The points that are dwelt upon most extensively are the Miami Fort and the negotiations leading up to Jay's Treaty. Canadian historians have dwelt upon the cleavage between Lord Dorchester and Governor Simcoe, which begins to loom up in this volume, but I confess it was not so serious as historians have led me to believe. Dorchester had reached the age of seventy and was worn out physically and asking for release, while Simcoe was a man of forty-two, in the prime of life, active and vigorous in every way and one who resented delay and procrastination. I cannot regard it as anything more than often takes place in our present-day arrangements, and it did not perhaps attain the extent that some of our historians have made it out to do.

As to the letter (referred to in my report) on old cemeteries, I am advised that three or four years ago—within recent years, at any rate—a public trustee was appointed by the Ontario Government, who might be utilized for this very purpose that the letter speaks of. However, that I lay before you and it may be taken up later in the meeting. The Public Trustee seems to be the proper person to whom he could leave an endowment for cemetery purposes. Whether that would be suitable or not some of you may know better than I do.

In some cases funds have been left in the banks by local societies that have ceased to exist. It is the duty of the Ontario Historical Society, under the Constitution, to be the undertaker, as it were, of societies that cease to exist, and carry these funds. By investment, these remainders have been placed in a bond at $5\frac{1}{4}\%$, so that the money may be available for distribution to any new local society, if one be organized in the future. I fear there may be other

deaths among the societies if they do not get assistance in the way of grant, but let us hope that a brighter day will dawn.

Now, as to the matter of grants: this has attained a very acute form here in this Province, more so than in any other country or nation that I know of, except perhaps the State of Michigan some fourteen or fifteen years ago. There the Governor of the State vetoed the Michigan State Historical Society's grant of \$5,000. The Legislature here has cancelled the grants for the local societies and that is equally bad. I am afraid that the members, especially those living away from Toronto, do not understand this question as well as I do, and I think I can tell you a few points in regard to it, so that you can see just where it stands, but I fear that I am not in a position to settle it immediately.

I was present at Miss Carnochan's meeting on July 23, 1922. She invited the Archivist, Col. Fraser, to address the meeting, and the main feature of his address was his statement that the Historical Societies should not obtain grants from the Government for printing historical matter. It surprised me a little. He repeated the same thing at Owen Sound about the same time, and elsewhere, and I had wit enough to see that something was coming. I had not long to wait, because Peter Smith, who is now serving a sentence in the penitentiary for being led about by other people too much, a few months later introduced a Bill on February 23, 1923, evidently drawn up by the Archivist, which seeks to outlaw the Historical Societies and place the Archivist's Department in charge of their work. The Historical Societies had their charter years before he had his department; in fact, the Historical Societies were the cause of the creation of the Archivist's Bureau, in order to preserve and care for the official material, leaving the societies with the care of unofficial material, such as comes from churches, schools and all sorts of unofficial institutions. In the following year, the Act which tries to outlaw the societies was followed by the cancellation of the grants to the Historical Societies. That was the next step.

With the official head of the government department of Public Records and Archives recommending no grants to Historical Societies, I cannot blame the present government for paying some attention to the official head, even if it was under a statute passed by Peter Smith. They found it on the Statute Book and they had to follow it, and there is the source of the trouble. We are only experiencing a condition that is general all over the States and other nations. The question is, just how far a government department ought to carry on this historical work and just how far historical societies (voluntary societies) ought to go. It is a broader question than mere persons—this or that person. I cannot find, and I defy anyone to show me, another nation or state where one side, representing the popular side and the most extensively circulated side, is doing all the work and the other side drawing all the pay. I cannot find that in any other place in the world. It is for you to take it up and say how long it is to continue.

Now I have said that I thought the ultimate result will be favourable to us. The Government is showing signs of helping us. After much urging they have continued our publications, which means a great deal; and they are going to continue to provide somehow for the Ontario Historical Society, as Mr.

Breithaupt will no doubt inform you. As to the fate of the local societies, I am not despairing over the situation. It is somewhat menacing, but I think it will all come right in the long run. (Applause.)

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Chairman: I wish to pay this tribute to the Secretary, that he does his work very well, and the Society is greatly indebted to him. I regret that we are not able to compensate him better, but our funds are limited, and our revenues are not likely to increase.

The main question during the past year was that of seeing whether we could bring about a change in the attitude of the Government in refusing grants altogether to the Ontario Historical Society and to all affiliated societies. We took up that question early last fall. Mr. Hunter and I, and the Treasurer, had an interview with the Provincial Secretary, and he presented our case to the Premier later. In January of this year we had a meeting of the Council and went in a body to the Deputy Minister of Education, Dr. Colquhoun, who tried to arrange an interview with the Premier. Unfortunately, we were not able to get an interview with the Premier as his time was very much taken up and we could not always get our delegation together at a time suitable for him. Finally, I wrote a letter to the Premier stating the case fully and calling attention to the importance of the publications of the Ontario Historical Society, and to the importance of continuing the means of sustenance of the Society. The Premier very kindly replied at once. He had examined, before that time, the Society's publications, and appeared to be favourably impressed by them, and there was a provision made in the supplementary estimates, so that for the time being at least, the sustenance of the Ontario Historical Society will continue.

As to the grants to the affiliated societies, a number of them have become a little quiet, have not been doing so much work, and have not been publishing anything for some years, while others have been doing good work. Some societies received larger grants for less work. This has grown up in the course of years and this favouritism, I dare say, had much to do with the discontinuance of the grants as a whole. I think that was a large element in the final decision. The whole question required revision. Other societies of no very serious purpose had grants also, while the grants to a Historical Society were usually \$100. What may be done in regard to affiliated societies is probably that if they can produce material of sufficient value for publication, that material will be published by the Government. If that is done, the question will be very satisfactorily solved, because if they do not produce good papers of general historical interest, it is not fair to ask the Government to pay money to publish them. Speaking for the Waterloo Historical Society, if the Government prints our material we will be somewhat better off than before, because it always cost us more than \$100 to print the material, and other local societies would no doubt be similarly affected. If that is the final result, the outcome will be on the whole not bad at all, in fact it will be rather good. (The President's Report in detail appears in Appendix I.)

I wish also to express my regret at the death of three members of the Council, two of whom were present at last year's (1924) meeting. Senator McCall was a particularly active member and was always promoting the interests of the Society. Mr. Griffin also did valuable work in his own district at Hamilton. I want to express my sympathy, also that of the Society, in the loss we have sustained in the death of these men.

I may announce that at the meeting of the Council this morning we added some names to our list of honorary members. There has not been any action in honorary membership for a number of years. The names which we have added are deserving of this recognition. I refer to Dr. Coyne and to Col. Belcher. Dr. Coyne was the founder of the Society in its present form, and has been one of its most important members for a number of years. Col. Belcher has been treasurer, is now vice-president, and is in every respect a worthy member.

I have a telegram from Mr. L. J. Burpee, of Ottawa, Past President of the Canadian Historical Association, regretting his inability to attend this meeting. I have a letter from Dr. Coyne, who represented the Ontario Historical Society at the unveiling of the Champlain monument in Orillia yesterday, and he is expected to get here this afternoon. General Cruikshank will arrive later in the day. Mr. Landon, of London, has been delayed by his duties in connection with the Dominion Day celebration in his city, where he is President of the Canadian Club, and will arrive at a later hour.

The Treasurer's report was then presented. (See Appendix I.)

The reports of the President, the Secretary and the Treasurer, on motion of Judge Livingstone and Ernest Green, were received and adopted.

On motion of Mrs. Thompson, seconded by Miss Gilkison, the following were selected for the Nominating Committee: Messrs. Landon, Mitchell, Green and Cruikshank; and for the Resolutions Committee, the following: Messrs. Coyne, Hammond, Duff and Hesson.

For the Nominating Committee the President named: Rev. Dr. Wallis, Judge Livingstone and Mrs. E. J. Thompson.

The reports of affiliated societies were then presented, so far as delegates were in attendance to present them. Those submitted were as follows:

BRANT HISTORICAL SOCIETY—Miss Gilkison.

ELGIN HISTORICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTE—J. S. Robertson.

NIAGARA HISTORICAL SOCIETY—Miss Janet Carnochan.

WATERLOO HISTORICAL SOCIETY—W. H. Breithaupt.

WELLAND COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY—Judge Livingstone and Mr. L. B. Duff.

WOMEN'S CANADIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF TORONTO—Miss Symons.

WOMEN'S WENTWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY—Miss McQuesten.

After announcements were made for the afternoon and evening, the session was adjourned.

Amongst those whose names were recorded in the register of attendance for the various sessions, including the one now adjourned, were the following (arranged alphabetically under localities):—

BRANTFORD—Miss A. I. G. Gilkison, Brant Historical Society; James J. Hurley.

BROCKVILLE—Mr. H. R. Morgan.

FORT ERIE—Mrs. Jean Russell, Miss Jennie P. Willson.

HAMILTON—Miss Mary Edwards, Mrs. Lynch-Staunton, Miss M. B. McQuesten, Mrs. Bertie E. D. Smith, Women's Wentworth Historical Society,

HUMBERSTONE—W. C. Morgan.

KITCHENER—W. H. Breithaupt, C.E., and Mrs. Breithaupt, Waterloo Historical Society.

LONDON—Fred Landon, M.A., and Mrs. Landon, London and Middlesex Historical Society.

NIAGARA FALLS, ONT.—J. C. Morden, Rev. Dr. Wm. Wallis, Lundy's Lane Historical Society.

NIAGARA—Miss Janet Carnochan, Miss Catherine Creed, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Mussen, Mrs. F. D. Porter, Rev. C. H. E. Smith and Mrs. Smith, Mrs. E. J. Thompson, Niagara Historical Society.

OHSWEKEN—Chief J. S. Johnson.

OTTAWA—Brig.-Gen. E. A. Cruikshank and Mrs. Cruikshank, Ernest Green.

PORT COLBORNE—DeWitt Carter.

ST. CATHARINES—Jessie F. Currie, Mr. C. A. Hesson, Miss C. Welland Merritt.

ST. THOMAS—Jas. H. Coyne, LL.D., J. S. Robertson and Mrs. Robertson, Elgin Historical and Scientific Institute.

TORONTO—Willis Chipman, C.E.; M. O. Hammond, The Globe; A. F. Hunter, secretary; A. N. Morgan; Dr. Rowland B. Orr; Miss Symons and Miss Kate Symons, Women's Canadian Historical Society of Toronto.

WELLAND—A. J. Anderson, Mayor; Miss Belle Brown; Col. J. E. Cohoe and Mrs. Cohoe; Mrs. Elletta R. Coulson; Louis Blake Duff and Mrs. Duff; Miss Theo. A. Fortner; Robert Gadsby; D. Gold; Mrs. N. A. Govan and Miss Govan; Miss Queenie Graham; A. W. Jackson; Alice A. Jackson; Miss Kate H. Jackson; E. P. Johnson and Mrs. Johnson; Guy E. Johnson; Judge L. B. C. Livingstone and Mrs. Livingstone; H. M. McCuaig; James McNiece and Mrs. McNiece; Mrs. Stella M. O'Neil; Amy Paham; G. H. Pettit and Mrs. Pettit; F. C. Pitkin; D. Ross; Miss Margaret Smith; J. C. Street; Thos. C. Weatherhead; John Weller, and others.

AFTERNOON PROCEEDINGS, JULY 2, 1925

During the afternoon of Thursday, the members were entertained to a drive given by the Welland County Historical Society through the south-eastern portion of the county. Stops were made at the following interesting historic points: Cook's Mills, Chippawa battlefield cairn, Frenchman's Creek, Fort Erie ruins, and Ridgeway. At each point Gen. Cruikshank gave an informal talk on the incidents which had taken place at that point, and their significance in the historic drama of the time.

THURSDAY EVENING SESSION

On return to Welland, the members were entertained to dinner at the Log House newly established in Chippawa Park. Later a pretty ceremony took place when Mr. Breithaupt, at the invitation of Mr. L. B. Duff, unveiled a tablet on the house, recording the fact that the house had been erected at Morgan's Point by David Morgan, in 1851, and had been removed to the present site by the Board of Parks Management.

Chief J. S. Johnson of the Six Nations Indians, Ohsweken, addressed the meeting on their national rights.

Mr. E. P. Johnson then read a paper on "Canal Engineering Yesterday and To-day."

Dr. J. H. Coyne then read a ballad of the War of 1812, entitled "The Bold Canadian."

(This ballad and Mr. Johnson's paper on Canal Engineering are both printed in Vol. 23 of this Society's "Papers and Records.")

FRIDAY, JULY 3, 1925

The morning session, beginning at 10 o'clock, with the President, Mr. W. H. Breithaupt in the chair, was opened with the transaction of general business.

Mr. Fred Landon submitted the report of the Nominating Committee, as follows:—

The Nominating Committee beg to make the following recommendations for the officers for the year 1925-6:—

President, W. H. Breithaupt, C.E., Kitchener; First Vice-President, Mr. Fred Landon, M.A., London; Second Vice-President, Mr. Louis Blake Duff, Welland; Treasurer, J. S. Carstairs, B.A., Toronto; Council—Mrs. Lynch-Staunton, Hamilton; Mr. Jas. Mitchell (*ob.*), Goderich; Very Rev. Dean Starr (*ob.*), Kingston; Mr. J. S. Robertson, St. Thomas; Mr. Ernest Green, Ottawa.

On motion by Mr. Landon, seconded by Mrs. Thompson, the report was adopted.

The report of the Resolutions Committee was then submitted by Dr. Coyne, who read the various clauses, as follows:—

1. The Ontario Historical Society expresses its hearty gratitude for the generous hospitality enjoyed during this meeting in the City of Welland, and in particular desires to mention the courtesies of the Mayor and city authorities, the Welland County Historical Society, the ladies who provided bountiful refreshments, the Board of Park Management, the donors of interesting articles for the loan exhibition, and General Cruikshank for his instructive lectures during the drive to historic spots in the county. We also express our pleasure at the progress made by the new Welland County Historical Society, which, in a few months, has attained a position of enterprise and influence.

2. That the thanks of the Ontario Historical Society are due to the Ontario Provincial Government and in particular to the Department of Education for their continued interest in the Society's work and progress, as manifested in the financial aid granted to the Society, the continued permission to

use the rooms occupied by the Society in the Educational Buildings, and the favourable consideration given by the Premier of Ontario and his colleagues to the aims and needs of the Society in general.

3. That the Ontario Historical Society record its pleasure that legislation of recent years has done much to bring about improvement in the care and upkeep of cemeteries in Ontario, thus aiding in the discharge of one debt we jointly owe to those men and women who have builded and gone on, aiding too in removing the stigma of ingratitude and neglect. We would, however, point out that many cemeteries in rural communities really belong to urban communities, and in such cases the townships where responsibility has been placed under the Act are not really under the same moral obligation as the nearby town or city. We would, therefore, suggest to the Council that representations be made to have an alteration made in the Act, suggesting that in cases where cemeteries are located within a certain radius of a town or city, such town or city shall be held responsible for its proper share in the expense of preservation. We approve of this position more particularly because the Legislature has given cities town-planning rights beyond the limits of their boundaries.

4. That the Ontario Historical Society express its pleasure at evidences of increasing public interest in the study of Canadian history, and its hope that this may be furthered and encouraged in every possible manner by all educational authorities, so that citizens of Canada may increase their interest for and deepen their confidence in their own land.

5. That the Ontario Historical Society record its satisfaction at the increasing public interest in the erection of memorials of the Great War and other historic events, and of historic persons, as shown in the recent dedication, in many places throughout the Province, of memorial hospitals and of other monuments, including the Tower Memorial Room in the Parliamentary Building at Ottawa, the Memorial Towers at the University of Toronto, the University of Western Ontario, and the Town of Simcoe, the cenotaphs, statues and other memorials of heroes of the World War, and the monument at Orillia in honour of the first great Canadian, Samuel de Champlain. In this connection, the Society further desires to commend the work of the Department of the Interior, acting on the advice of The Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada, in the increasingly wide distribution throughout the Dominion of memorial cairns, boulders, tablets and other monuments, commemorating important events in our national development.

On motion by Dr. Coyne, seconded by Mr. Landon, the report was adopted.

Mr. Ernest Green, of Ottawa, then read a paper on "The Niagara Portage Road" and illustrated the subject by the use of a map of the portage. (This paper is printed in full in Vol. 23 of this Society's "Papers and Records.")

After a few remarks by the chairman, the meeting was adjourned.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

This session beginning at 2 p.m., was devoted to the reading of papers specified in the printed programme.

Mr. H. R. Morgan, of Brockville, read a paper on "Steam Navigation Upon the Ottawa River."

The Chairman (Mr. Breithaupt) being obliged to leave at 3 p.m., Gen. Cruikshank presided.

Mr. DeWitt Carter, of Port Colborne, read a paper entitled "Relative Sizes and Capacities of Our Canals Reflected in Trend of Traffic."

Gen. Cruikshank gave a summary of his paper on "The Insurrection in the Short Hills in 1838." He had recently examined the MS. material obtained by the Dominion Archives in connection with Lord Durham's Report, as it contains much relating to the subject of his paper.

The foregoing three papers are printed in full in Vol. 23 of this Society's "Papers and Records."

The adjournment of this meeting brought to a close the work of the annual meeting for 1925.

APPENDIX I.

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

That interest in the work of the Ontario Historical Society is well sustained, is shown by its activity during the past year; in producing and publishing historical papers of wide scope, in additions to its library and the general collection of historic objects, all as given in detail in the Secretary's Report, and in general stimulation of historic interest, as evidenced in the organization of new local societies affiliated with this Society, and otherwise.

The considerable number of deaths of members since our last Annual Meeting includes two Members of Council, Mr. Justus A. Griffin, of Hamilton, and Senator McCall, of Simcoe, both of them present at our meeting of a year ago. Mr. Griffin was a longstanding and valuable member of this Society. Senator McCall was Honorary President of the Norfolk Historical Society, where during the year he had been particularly active in effecting marking of the site of the wintering place of Dollier de Casson and Galinée, 1669-70, by a cairn and memorial tablet placed by the Historic Sites and Monuments Board, and unveiled September 16th.

Our chief concern during the year was the cancellation of the Ontario Government grant as reported and discussed at our last annual meeting. After effort in various directions, including an interview with the Provincial Secretary, the Hon. Lincoln Goldie, by a delegation of the Society consisting of the President, Secretary and Treasurer on October 31st, a meeting of Council was called for January 20th, mainly for the purpose of discussing methods for further placing our needs before the Ontario Government. Of the members present, Dr. Orr, Col. Belcher, Sir Archibald McDonnell and myself, later waited on the Deputy Minister of Education, Dr. Colquhoun, who gave sympathetic hearing and endeavoured to arrange an interview with the Premier, which, however, could not be had at that time, the Premier being very much occupied. Some weeks later, on February 14th, I submitted the Society's case to him by letter to which he replied that on full consideration of the Society's merits and after reading its publications he had become convinced that the character of its work was so important that it should be continued and some method should be devised for continuation of Government support. This has been effected in the supplementary estimates, and the support of the Ontario Government to some extent, as hitherto, will be had for this year, in addition to government printing of its publications as before.

As to aid to affiliated societies the possibility is held out that the Ontario Government will be ready to print for them some material of sufficient merit which they may have to offer. In this manner deserving societies, who actually do good work, would have practically as much government support as they have had hitherto.

W. H. BREITHAUP,
President.

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT, 1924-5

It is a satisfaction to have the privilege of meeting once more in the historic Niagara peninsula—the never-failing source from which we draw so much good historic material—and to vary proceedings by the addition of industrial and navigational subjects to the usual war-scarred scenes of the frontier.

The work of the Society in the year just closing may be reviewed under the same subdivisions as in past years. First, then, as to membership.

MEMBERSHIP

Since the last report, the Society has lost, through death, the following members: Justus A. Griffin, Hamilton; Willet R. Haight, Toronto; Fred. J. Holton, Windsor; John N. Lake, Toronto; Lt. Col. H. F. Leonard, Brantford; J. J. McArthur, D.L.S., Ottawa; Hon. Alexander McCall, Simcoe; George J. Ryerse, Simcoe; and Mrs. J. H. Wilson, St. Thomas.

(Since the foregoing list was written the deaths have occurred of the following members: Andrew Braid, Windsor; Geo. Malcolm, B.A., Stratford; Jas. Mitchell, Goderich; and Very Rev. Dean G. L. Starr, Kingston.)

Of these nine persons, no less than three were members of the Society's Council, viz., Justus A. Griffin, Hon. Alex. McCall, and Mrs. J. H. Wilson. The following had contributed material to the Society's publications, viz., Justus A. Griffin, Fred. J. Holton, Hon. Alex. McCall, and George J. Ryerse, (also Andrew Braid and Jas. Mitchell).

The high rate of mortality of the members is due to the mature ages of many who belong to the Society. The subject, of which we are the devotees, appeals more to persons of mature thought than to younger persons; to those with whom the shadows begin to lengthen, and memories of the past and reminiscences of their long experience fill their minds more than formerly.

The members number at this date: annual, 327; ex-officio, 52; delegate, 12; honorary, 5; corresponding, 8; life, 2; making a total of 406.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

The office receipts of \$319 for the year in members' fees and sales of publications show fair returns, above the average of the past 12 years, notwithstanding that only a small amount has yet been received of this year's fees, owing to the lateness of the publications. The receipts have consisted largely of sales of publications, showing that this source of revenue is rapidly increasing.

It was mentioned in the report of a year ago that there was a grant for the year just now closed, and this grant maintained the work of the Society in ways similar to those of former years. The President's Report contains an account of what has been done during the year to maintain the Society's financial condition as well as that of the affiliated societies.

The Finance and the Printing Sub-committees of the Council found it advisable to fix the price of the annual volume (Vol. XXII) of Papers and Records, at \$2.00. This was owing chiefly to the increased size of the book,

which is bound in cloth for the members, and also partly to the need for additional financial resources, the ordinary source of receipts having become precarious from circumstances over which the Society had no control.

When the size of the Society's annual volume of papers reaches the point where it has an actual value of \$2.00, according to book prices, as it has now, it is fortunate that it can be utilized to aid the receipts, and it is hoped the members will cordially respond under the circumstances.

PUBLICATIONS

Notwithstanding an unavoidable delay of four months, the regular publications have been brought to completion. The Annual Report for 1924 contains 81 pages. In Vol. XXII of Papers and Records, the 21 articles were:

- I. John Galt—Canadian Pioneer. ANDREW BRAID.
- II. The Settlement of Waterloo County. W. H. BREITHAUP, C.E.
- III. Notes on the Galt Churches. A. J. CLARK.
- IV. A Memoir of Lieutenant-Colonel John Macdonell of Glengarry House, the first Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Upper Canada. BRIG.-GEN. E. A. CRUIKSHANK, LL.D., F.R.S.C., etc.
- V. The Inception of the Welland Canal (1824). BRIG.-GEN. E. A. CRUIKSHANK, LL.D., F.R.S.C., etc.
- VI. An Address on Turning the First Sod of the Pioneer Monument—Waterloo County Pioneers' Memorial, Betzner Farm, near Kitchener, June 24, 1924. BRIG.-GEN. E. A. CRUIKSHANK, LL.D., F.R.S.C., etc.
- VII. John DeCou, Pioneer. ERNEST GREEN.
- VIII. Construction of the Rideau Canal, 1826-1832. HAMNETT P. HILL, K.C.
- IX. Historical Notes on Finance in the Great War and Afterward. A. F. HUNTER, M.A.
- X. Social Conditions Among the Negroes in Upper Canada before 1865. FRED. LANDON, M.A.
- XI. Anthony Burns in Canada. FRED. LANDON, M.A.
- XII. Commodore Alexander Grant (1734-1813). GEO. F. MACDONALD.
- XIII. Address of the President, Waterloo County Pioneers' Association, Turning-the-Sod Exercises, June 24, 1924. D. N. PANABAKER.
- XIV. The Legislature of Upper Canada and Contempt.—Drastic Methods of Early Provincial Parliaments with Critics. HON. WM. RENWICK RIDDELL, LL.D., F.R.S.C., etc.
- XV. When a Few Claimed Monopoly of Spiritual Functions—Canadian State Trials—The King against Clark Bentom. HON. WM. RENWICK RIDDELL, LL.D., F.R.S.C., etc.
- XVI. Criminal Courts and Law in Early (Upper) Canada. HON. WM. RENWICK RIDDELL, LL.D., F.R.S.C., etc.
- XVII. The "Ordinary" Court of Chancery in Upper Canada—An Attempt by the Lieutenant-Governor to act as Chancellor. HON. WM. RENWICK RIDDELL, LL.D., F.R.S.C., etc.
- XVIII. Pierre du Calvet, a Huguenot Refugee in Early Montreal: His Treason and Fate. HON. WM. RENWICK RIDDELL, LL.D., F.R.S.C., etc.
- XIX. "His Honour" the Lieutenant-Governor and "His Lordship" the Justice. HON. WM. RENWICK RIDDELL, LL.D., F.R.S.C., etc.
- XX. The Place and Stream Names of Oxford County. W. J. WINTERBERG.
- XXI. The Rev. John Ogilvie, D.D., An Army Chaplain at Fort Niagara and Montreal, 1759-1760. PROFESSOR A. H. YOUNG, M.A., D.C.L.

The range of Volume XXII, both in time and space, is wider than ever before, extending chronologically from the events of Sir Wm. Johnson's campaign against Fort Niagara in 1759, to the recent Great War, and geographically from the Detroit frontier to Glengarry county, the Ottawa River and Montreal; the subjects discussed thus having a wide range.

As the price of Vol. XXII has been increased to \$2.00 it seems advisable to allow a percentage to the local affiliated societies for any new sales they might succeed in making. The local societies ought to be given this financial interest in the sale of the provincial volume, an interest that might well be reserved for them and transferred to them as the local historical workers, who might thus get better service through such an arrangement, and some profit, rather than transfer it to mere book collectors who traffic on the low prices at which the publications are sold.

Volume 3 of the "Simcoe Papers," selected, copied and edited by General E. A. Cruikshank, has also been brought to completion, in addition to the above regular publications and is now ready for issue. It contains 416 pages, with many foot notes and a copious index, and like the two preceding volumes is placed at the service of historical workers and the public generally at the small price of \$1.00 per volume. (A brief description of this volume may be found in the Secretary's remarks.)

The three publications completed during the year contain more pages than those of last year or of any other former year, attaining to the maximum of 838 pages in the three.

THE LIBRARY

The Library has received, in accessions during the year, the usual number of donations and exchanges.

In order to illustrate the paper on Finance in the Great War appearing in Vol. XXII of Papers and Records, a collection was made of European paper currency from the different countries,—a dozen or more kinds from each country,—and this collection may be seen at the rooms of the society by anyone interested in the subject. It forms a valuable adjunct of the war collection.

During the year the Society has received a collection of war books (50) formed by the Royal Canadian Institute.

The Society's war collection now consists of upward of 200 volumes (mostly relating to Canada), of which there is a complete card catalogue, and a larger number of minor publications and pamphlets.

Card catalogues have also been made for parts of the Library that are in more frequent use than the other parts.

THE PRESERVATION OF OLD CEMETERIES

As considerable correspondence arises in connection with this subject, it will be advisable to insert here a separate division of this report on the preservation of those memorials of the pioneers. The Secretary has received the following communication from Mr. Fred. W. Shibley, New York City:

"On page 24 of the Ontario Historical Society's Report for 1924, there is a report on the Preservation of Old Cemeteries which is very interesting to me, as my ancestors are buried in the Wilton Cemetery, Wilton, Ontario, about sixteen miles from Kingston.

"In this cemetery some of the oldest United Empire Loyalists of Canada are buried. The cemetery is fairly well kept up and fenced. As I understand it, it is controlled by the Methodist Church in the village. I own a lot there and

have spent considerable money fixing it up and paying for its upkeep. I should like to make a provision in my will leaving a fairly substantial sum to provide for the perpetual upkeep of this cemetery, but I cannot find anyone to leave it to except the Cemetery Association.

"As near as I can find out there is no law compelling the upkeep of cemeteries and making the charge to cover such upkeep a taxable matter. Would not the best way to go about this matter be to have your Society formally introduce an Act before the Ontario Legislature providing for the care and upkeep of cemeteries and making it possible for people to leave funds for the upkeep of their lots in perpetuity?

"I shall be interested to have your reply and to be of such assistance as I can in furthering the bill."

AFFILIATED SOCIETIES

The active affiliated historical societies have filed reports of their work during the past season.

Since the report of a year ago, the following societies have become affiliated with the Ontario Historical Society:—Algonquin Historical Society (formerly the Georgian Bay Historical Society), the Welland Historical Society, the Fort Frances Historical Society, and the Perth and Lanark County Historical Society.

In the case of suspended or moribund societies, some of which had bank balances, an account was opened in the Treasurer's Book and the balances collected into a bond for \$100 at $5\frac{1}{4}$ per cent., in order to conserve their funds for future societies that may spring up in the same localities. This was done in accordance with Section 12 of the Act to Incorporate the Ontario Historical Society.

Since April, 1924, when the grants to the historical societies were not made as usual in the estimates of the Legislature, the question of maintaining the societies financially has had extensive discussion. These societies have largely created the present increased interest all over the Province in the history of our country. The publications of some of these societies have acquired an individuality which it would be regrettable to terminate, yet these publications have practically been suppressed, at least for the time, by the cancellation of the grants.

This withdrawal of assistance has been felt severely by the local societies, and remedial measures have occupied the attention of the President and some members of the Council during the year, but it is yet in an incomplete stage. On December 1st, 1924, agreeably to a resolution passed at the annual meeting last year, the Secretary sent a circular letter to all the affiliated societies.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF FAVOURS RECEIVED

To all those who have kindly aided in the Society's work of the year the officers express their appreciation and herewith tender their grateful acknowledgments. The donations and benefactions which the Society has received during the year will make it still further useful to historical workers.

Respectfully submitted,

A. F. HUNTER,

Secretary.

EXCHANGES

Canada	Books	Pamphlets
Canadian Historical Association, Ottawa	2	1
Canadian Library Agency, Toronto	4	..
Canadian National Parks Commission, Ottawa	..	4
Edwards, Major J. Plimsoll, Halifax, N.S.	4	7
Haight, W. R., Toronto	1	..
Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada, Ottawa	..	2
London and Middlesex Historical Society, London, Ont.	..	2
Niagara Historical Society	..	2
Ontario Land Surveyors' Association, Toronto	1	..
Quebec (Province) Archives, Quebec	1	..
Queen's Quarterly, Kingston (Vol. 32)	1	..
Royal Canadian Institute, Toronto	51	..
Royal Society of Canada, Ottawa (Vol. 18, etc.)	1	1
Thunder Bay Historical Society (No. 15)	..	2
Toronto, University of, Library (Vol. 5)	1	..
Waterloo Historical Society, Kitchener	1	2
Women's Canadian Historical Society of Ottawa	1	1
Worden, J. C., Toronto	28	..
	97	24

United States

American Historical Association, Washington, D.C.	6	..
Boston Public Library	1	1
Bureau of American Ethnology, Washington	3	..
Burton Historical Collection, Detroit, Mich.	3	..
California, University of, Berkeley, Cal. (Vol. 27)	1	..
Congress, Library of, Washington, D.C. (Report, 1924)	1	..
Connecticut Historical Society, Hartford, Ct.	1	1
Iowa, Historical Department of, Des Moines, Ia.	..	7
Iowa State Historical Society, Iowa City, Ia. (Vol. 22, etc.)	2	..
Magazine Subject-Index, Boston, Mass.	1	..
Medford Historical Society, Medford, Mass. (Vol. 27)	1	..
Michigan Historical Commission, Lansing, Mich.	3	..
Minnesota Historical Society, St. Paul, Minn.	1	6
Mississippi Valley Historical Association, Cedar Rapids, Ia.	..	3
New Hampshire Historical Society	1	1
New Jersey Historical Society, Newark, N.J. (Vol. 9)	1	..
N.Y. Historical Society, New York City	2	..
N.Y. Public Library, New York (Vol. 28)	1	..
N.Y. State Historical Association, Albany (Vol. 5, etc.)	1	1
N.Y. State University, Albany	1	..
North Dakota, State Historical Society of (Vol. 7)	1	..
North Dakota, University of, University, N.D. (Vol. 15)	1	..

	Books	Pamphlets
Ohio Archaeological and Historical Society, Columbus (Vol. 33)	1	..
Onondaga Historical Association, Syracuse, N.Y.....	1	..
Rhode Island Historical Society (Vol. 18).....	1	..
Smith College, Northampton, Mass.....	..	1
Texas State Historical Association, Austin, Tex. (Vol. 28)...	1	..
Washington (State) Historical Quarterly, Seattle (Vol. 16)...	1	..
Western Reserve Historical Society, Cleveland, O.....	1	..
Wisconsin Historical Society, Madison, Wis. (Vol. 8).....	1	..
	40	21
British and Foreign		
Kungl. Vit. Historie och Antik. Akademien, Stockholm, Sweden	2	4
Royal Colonial Institute, London, Eng. (Vol. 15).....	1	..
Royal Geog. Society of Australasia.....	1	..
Miscellaneous.....	1	..
	5	4

DONATIONS

Canadian Publications

Bowman, T. E., Toronto.....	..	1
Brown, M. A., Toronto.....	..	1
Canadian Bank of Commerce, Toronto.....	1	1
Canadian Department of the Interior, Ottawa.....	2	..
Can. Permanent Mortgage Corporation, Toronto.....	..	1
Carstairs, Capt. J. S., Toronto.....	4	48
Chipman, Willis, C.E., Toronto.....	1	..
Duff, L. B., Welland.....	..	2
Eames, Frank, Niagara Falls, Ont.....	1	1
Ewart, John S., K.C., LL.D., Ottawa.....	..	4
Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario.....	1	..
Miscellaneous.....	7	380
Murray, Thomas, Montreal.....	..	1
McMahon, F. O., Rockland, Ont.....	1	..
Ontario Government Publications.....	..	4
Orr, Dr. Rowland B., Toronto (Provincial Mus.).....	126	..
Public Libraries Branch, Education Dept., Ontario (Vol. 9)...	1	..
Ryerson Press, Toronto.....	1	..
Thompson, Mrs. E. J., Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont.....	1	..
Trigge, A. St. L., Toronto.....	1	..
Trinity College, Toronto.....	1	..
Wellington Fire Insurance Co., Toronto.....	..	1
Wooley, Rev. H. J. L., B.D., Richard's Landing, Ont.....	..	1
Young, Prof. A. H., M.A., D.C.L., Toronto.....	2	1
	151	447

United States Publications

	Books	Pamphlets
Iowa State University, Iowa City, Ia.....	..	1
Laidlaw, Lt.-Col. Geo. E., Kirkfield.....	4	1
Rockefeller Family Association, Brooklyn, N.Y.....	..	1
U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, Washington, D.C.....	1	..
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MISCELLANEOUS

The Society has also received the following:

W. H. BREITHAUP, C.E., KITCHENER, ONT.—Photograph of Freeport Academy.

JNO. CORMACK, TORONTO.—A Japanese History (issued by the Japanese Government).

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, OTTAWA.—Standard Topographical Map (Sudbury Sheet, Ont., and Calgary Sheet, B.C., and Alberta), 7.89 miles to one inch.

FRANK EAMES, NIAGARA FALLS, ONT.—Historical Manuscripts.

MRS. MORRIS P. FERRIS, HEMPSTEAD, N.Y.—Twenty-two portraits of famous authors.

MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY, ST. PAUL, MINN.—Upper Missouri Historical Expedition (art programme).

JAMES MITCHELL, GODERICH (deceased).—Handbill of Historical Society's Excursion, 1865 (?).

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO.—Photographs of Portrait of Prof. John Squair.

CALENDARS FROM THE FOLLOWING.—Can. Permanent Mortgage Corporation, Toronto; Griffin & Richmond, Hamilton; Harvey & Company, Toronto.

NEWSPAPERS, BROADSIDES AND CLIPPINGS FROM THE FOLLOWING.—Mrs. Elizabeth C. Ascher, Niagara-on-the-Lake; J. W. Curran, "Sault Daily Star," Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.; Louis Blake Duff, Welland "Tribune & Telegraph," Welland, Ont.; Frank Eames, Niagara Falls, Ont.; Roswell Goldie, Guelph; M. O. Hammond, "Globe," Toronto; Richard Jocelyn, Toronto; M. G. Sherk, Toronto; Mrs. J. B. Simpson, Ottawa; Walter T. Stringer, Toronto; David Williams, "Bulletin," Collingwood; Rev. H. J. L. Wooley, B.D., Richard's Landing, Ont.

1924

OFFICE EXPENSES, 1924-25

June	6	Ontario Library Association, dues, 1924.....	\$2 00
"	20	Express on books to Ottawa.....	1 10
"	30	Postage, June.....	9 09
July	31	Postage, July.....	9 04
Aug.	30	Postage, August.....	9 16
Sept.	23	1 typewriter ribbon.....	1 00
"	30	Postage, September.....	9 04

Oct. 31	Postage, October.....	\$8 20
Nov. 29	Postage, November.....	9 39
Dec. 2	Stencilling 36 circulars, letters to historical societies	80
" 10	2 letter files.....	1 00
" 31	Postage, December.....	7 25
1925		
Jan. 31	Postage, January.....	10 20
Feb. 19	1 desk lamp (electric) and fixtures.....	5 90
" 19	Copies of 2 line drawings (Simcoe Papers).....	2 00
" 28	Postage, February.....	7 00
Mar. 12	1 box (500) No. 7 envelopes.....	1 00
" 18	Express on books (Kirkfield).....	45
" 26	Registering Annual Statement, Provincial Secretary	1 00
" 27	1 box (500) typewriter paper.....	1 75
" 28	400 sheets blank letter paper.....	1 00
" 31	Postage, March.....	10 45
April 30	Postage, April.....	6 45
May 30	Postage, May.....	8 30
June 11	1 typewriter ribbon.....	1 00
" 23	1 box (500) typewriter paper.....	1 00
" 26	Postage, June.....	15 43
		\$140 00

TREASURER'S STATEMENT, 1924-5

Receipts

1924		
June 20	Balance in hand.....	\$360 95
May 12	Ontario Government Grant.....	1,000 00
Dec. 1	Interest on deposits.....	12 92
1925		
May 30	Interest on deposits.....	6 45
June 25	Members' fees and sales of publications.....	319 00
		\$1,699 32

Expenditures

1924		
July 28	Postage on Simcoe Papers, Vol. 2.....	30 00
" 28	Stenographing parts of Kitchener meeting, with transcripts, etc.....	48 50
Oct. 10	300 letterheads printed.....	5 00
1925		
Mar. 28	4 electrotypes, Vol. 22, Papers and Records.....	5 30
April 29	4 zinc etchings, Vol. 22, Papers and Records.....	16 44

May 15	Postage on Annual Reports, 1924.....	\$16 00
	Secretary, salary (15 months to June 1).....	1,250 00
	Office Expenses (per vouchers).....	140 00
	Balance in hand.....	188 08
		\$1,699 32

TREASURER'S STATEMENT, 1924-5

MUSEUM FUND, 1924-5

1924		
June 16	Canadian Government War Bonds.....	\$650 00
" 16	Balance in bank.....	47 62
Sept. 12	Interest on War Bond, coupon No. 15.....	12 50
Nov. 1	Interest on War Bonds (3).....	4 11
" 30	Interest on bank deposits.....	65
1925		
Mar. 9	Interest on War Bond, coupon No. 16.....	12 50
May 1	Interest on War Bonds (2).....	2 76
" 1	Interest on Canada Permanent Bond.....	2 66
" 31	Interest on bank deposits.....	28
		\$733 08

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1925		
June 25	Canadian Government War Bonds in hand.....	\$600 00
" 25	Canada Permanent Bond in hand.....	100 00
" 25	Balance in bank.....	33 08
		\$733 08

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

 MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT TORONTO, JANUARY 20, 1925,
AT 11 A.M.

Present: W. H. Breithaupt, C.E., president, in the chair; Dr. Rowland B. Orr, Lieut.-Col. A. E. Belcher, Sir Archibald Macdonell (Kingston Historical Society), and A. F. Hunter.

An application from the newly-formed Welland County Historical Society for affiliation was laid before the meeting, and,

On motion of Sir Archibald Macdonell, seconded by Dr. Orr, it was resolved that: Regular notice having been received by the secretary from the newly-formed Welland County Historical Society of its formation and also its application for affiliation with the Ontario Historical Society, the same be, and is hereby, affiliated with the Ontario Historical Society.

Communications expressing regret for absence from this meeting were received from Mrs. E. J. Ashton, Ottawa; Miss Janet Carnochan, Niagara; Capt. J. S. Carstairs, Toronto; Dr. Jas. H. Coyne, St. Thomas; Gen. E. A. Cruikshank, Ottawa; R. W. Geary, Niagara Falls; Jas. L. Hughes, LL.D., Toronto; Fred. Landon, M.A., London; Hon. Alex. McCall, Simcoe; Geo. F. Macdonald, Windsor; Jas. Mitchell, Goderich; J. W. LeB. Ross, Sault Ste. Marie; Very Rev. Dean Starr, Kingston.

The Secretary read correspondence from various local societies and members of this Society's council regarding the subject of grants to the historical societies, which have been cancelled, and which was the occasion for calling this council meeting, including: Women's Canadian Historical Society of Ottawa, Thunder Bay Historical Society, Lundy's Lane Historical Society, Miss Janet Carnochan, Jas. H. Coyne, LL.D., Gen. E. A. Cruikshank, Fred. Landon, M.A., Hon. Alex. McCall, Geo. F. Macdonald and Jas. Mitchell.

On motion by Lieut.-Col. Belcher, seconded by Dr. Orr, it was resolved that in view of the large membership of the historical societies throughout Ontario, and the useful and instructive historical work they are doing, which must be of advantage both for the present and the future, we deem it important that those who are managing our provincial affairs should encourage our work by a liberal grant of money in order that we could successfully accomplish the desired results. We therefore request the Government to give serious consideration to our reasonable claim.

It was resolved, further, that a delegation consisting of as many of those present who could attend, should form a delegation to wait upon the Premier and lay the case of the societies before him.

The meeting was then adjourned.

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT WELLAND, JULY 2, 1925, AT 9 A.M.

Present: W. H. Breithaupt, C.E., president, in the chair; Dr. Rowland B. Orr, Judge L. B. C. Livingstone and A. F. Hunter.

An application from the newly formed Fort Frances Historical Society for affiliation was laid before the meeting, and,

On motion by Dr. Orr, seconded by A. F. Hunter, it was resolved that: Regular notice having been received by the secretary from the newly-formed Fort Frances Historical Society of its formation and also its application for affiliation with the Ontario Historical Society, the same be, and is hereby, affiliated with the Ontario Historical Society.

An application from the newly-formed Perth and Lanark County Historical Society for affiliation was laid before the meeting, and,

On motion by Dr. Orr, seconded by A. F. Hunter, it was resolved that: Regular notice having been received by the secretary from the newly-formed Perth and Lanark County Historical Society of its formation and also its application for affiliation with the Ontario Historical Society, the same be, and is hereby, affiliated with the Ontario Historical Society.

The reports of the president, the secretary and the treasurer, on the Society's work for the year now closing, were laid before the Council; they were adopted and passed on to the general meeting.

A communication from Mr. Fred. Landon, asking the Society to meet in London next year, was presented to the meeting and referred to the new council.

On motion by Mr. Hunter, seconded by Dr. Orr, it was resolved that Dr. Jas. H. Coyne and Lieut.-Col. A. E. Belcher be honorary members.

The meeting was then adjourned.

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT WELLAND, JULY 3, 1925, AT 12 NOON

Present: W. H. Breithaupt, C.E., president, in the chair; Miss J. Carnochan, Messrs. Fred. Landon, Louis Blake Duff, Dr. Jas. H. Coyne, Gen. E. A. Cruikshank, James Mitchell, Ernest Green, J. S. Robertson and A. F. Hunter.

The minutes of the 1924 Council meetings having been printed, were taken as read and confirmed.

The appointment of standing sub-committees of the Council for the year was the first business.

These sub-committees were appointed as follows:

FINANCE—The President, the Secretary and the Treasurer.

PRINTING AND EDITORIAL WORK—The President, the Secretary, General Cruikshank, Mr. Landon and Mr. Duff.

LIBRARY AND PROPERTY—Prof. Squair, the President, the Secretary, the Treasurer and Dr. R. B. Orr.

MEMBERSHIP—The President, the Secretary, Mr. Landon and the presidents of local societies, with power to add to their numbers.

PROGRAMME COMMITTEE (next annual meeting)—The President, the Secretary, General Cruikshank, Mr. Landon, Dr. Coyne and Mr. Duff.

On motion by the Secretary, seconded by Mr. Green, it was resolved that 25 per cent. be granted to local societies as a commission for the sale of Vol. 22, "Papers and Records."

On motion by Dr. Coyne, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, it was resolved that the next annual meeting be held in the City of London, the date to be fixed by the Programme Sub-committee.

On motion by Dr. Coyne, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, it was resolved that the secretary write to the Canadian Historical Association to say that instead of its affiliation with the Ontario Historical Society, it would be preferable for each to become a member of the other.

On motion by Mr. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Robertson, it was resolved that the President and the Treasurer sign the Society's cheques and otherwise transact the banking business.

The meeting was then adjourned.

OFFICERS, 1925-26

HONORARY PRESIDENT

Hon. G. H. Ferguson, K.C., B.A., LL.D., Minister of Education Toronto

PRESIDENT

W. H. Breithaupt, C.E. Kitchener

VICE-PRESIDENTS

Fred Landon, M.A. London, Ont.
Louis Blake Duff. Welland
and the Presidents of Affiliated Societies.

COUNCILLORS

Mrs. Lynch-Staunton Hamilton
James Mitchell (deceased). Goderich
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APPENDIX II

REPORTS OF AFFILIATED SOCIETIES (Alphabetically arranged)

BRANT HISTORICAL SOCIETY (BRANTFORD)

(ORGANIZED MARCH, 1908)

Officers for year beginning April, 1925:

HONORARY PRESIDENTS—His Honour Lieutenant-Governor H. Cockshutt,
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CURATOR—R. R. Whale.

MUSEUM COMMITTEE—Messrs. Whale, Freeman, Passmore, Dr. Keene.

PROGRAMME—J. A. Bloodsworth, R. C. Muir, Miss A. I. G. Gilkison.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand.....	\$441 93
Members' Fees.....	6 50
Ontario Government.....	100 00
Bank interest.....	18 84
	\$567 27

EXPENDITURES

Insurance on Museum.....	\$7 20
Printing.....	9 31
Postage.....	3 18
General Expenses.....	35 75
Miscellaneous.....	16 60
	\$72 04

STATEMENT OF MEMBERSHIP, ETC.

Number of members last year, 12; number of members this year, 13; number of public meetings held this year, 8; number of committee meetings held, 2; Lectures included: "The British Association for the Advancement of Science," by R. W. E. McFadden.

JAS. S. ROWE,
Secretary.

ELGIN HISTORICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTE (ST. THOMAS)

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1924-25

The attendance at the regular monthly meetings has been large and the interest of members well sustained. The programme of papers and addresses was successfully carried out, and much appreciated. The subjects and speakers were as follows:

- Oct. 6. "Recent Historic Meetings and Commemorations." James H. Coyne, LL.D., F.R.S.C.
- Nov. 3. "Papini's Life of Christ." Rev. Canon J. W. J. Andrews.
- Dec. 1. "Place Names in the Township of Aldborough." J. A. McKillop.
- Jan. 5. "Glimpses of Australian Life." Rev. J. E. Newnham, B.A.
- Feb. 2. "Early Visitors to Port Talbot." Dr. Coyne.
- Mar. 2. "Medical Practitioners in Middlesex and Elgin." Dr. C. W. Crane.
- April 6. "History of St. John River." Rev. Wilfrid Gaetz.
- May 4. "The Balkans and the Near-East Question." Professor A. G. Dorland, Ph.D.

The Institute has lost through death two of its most active and valued members and officers: The late Mr. W. H. Murch was one of the original members, and had filled various offices from time to time, including that of president. The Rev. Dr. Robert Ironsides Warner, D.D., Principal Emeritus of Alma College, member for many years, had also been for years an officer of the Institute. Each had contributed valuable papers and addresses at its meetings.

Each had occupied a prominent and influential position in the civic and cultural life of the community, whose regard and esteem they possessed in the highest degree.

In the history of St. Thomas, the year 1824 was notable for three events of importance:

1. The erection of the old St. Thomas' Church.
2. The establishment of the Talbot Seminary, the first school of secondary education in the Talbot Settlement, and direct ancestor of the St. Thomas Grammar School, High School and Collegiate Institute.
3. The opening of the Talbot Dispensary, the first medical college in the province.

In connection with the Centennial Historic Reunion and Flower Festival, held in August, 1924, to commemorate these events, the Institute erected monuments at the entrance to the churchyard and on the site of the Seminary. These were unveiled in presence of large assemblages with appropriate ceremonies; the first by Mr. Henry Lindop, 89 years of age, oldest surviving member of the old church; the second by Dr. James H. Coyne, who was a pupil of the Grammar School, at the old Seminary site from 1861 to 1865, and at the later Wellington Street site for a few months in 1866. Later in the same day, the Institute assisted at the unveiling at Port Stanley by the President of the Institute, in his capacity of representative of the Dominion Government and the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada, of the cairn erected by the Department of the Interior on the advice of the Board, to commemorate the encampment on the beach, on the 9th August, 1812, of General Brock's expedi-

tion, on its way to the capture of Detroit and General Hull's army. The tablet commemorates, also, the earliest visitors to the mouth of Kettle Creek, as well as the arrival of Colonel Talbot, and of the first settler, Colonel John Bostwick.

Later in the summer, the Institute erected and unveiled memorials at Burwell's Corners, to commemorate the site of the Registry Office for the County of Middlesex prior to 1843, and at Frome Congregational Church, where the first congregation of that church in Upper or Lower Canada was established in 1819, by Rev. Joseph Silcox. The first was unveiled by Dr. Coyne, Registrar of the County of Elgin, and President of the Institute, the second by Dr. Sydney Silcox, grandson of the minister, and Principal of the Stratford Normal School.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of cash on hand of \$419.11. A list of officers elected for the year 1925-26 is appended:

HONORARY PRESIDENTS—Dr. James H. Coyne, Mrs. J. H. Wilson.

PRESIDENT—K. W. McKay.

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SECRETARY—J. E. Nelson.

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JAMES H. COYNE,
President.

J. E. NELSON,
Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand, April 30, 1924.....	\$596 67
Government Grant.....	100 00
Interest—Bank.....	\$18 41
Bonds.....	41 50
	59 91
Membership fees.....	20 50
	\$777 08

EXPENDITURE

The <i>Times-Journal</i> , for advertising.....	\$ 11 72
Flowers.....	10 75
Cost of four Historic Memorials erected.....	320 33
Printing, postage and stationery.....	15 17
Balance on hand: In Bank of Montreal.....	\$ 93 69
In Huron and Erie.....	325 42
	419 11

Total..... \$777 08

St. Thomas, May 4th, 1925.

F. B. HOLTBY,
Treasurer.

ESSEX HISTORICAL SOCIETY (WINDSOR)

(ORGANIZED JANUARY 5, 1904)

Report for the year ending May 31, 1925.

Officers for year beginning January 1, 1925:

PRESIDENT—A. P. E. Panet.

VICE-PRESIDENT—Fred Neal.

SECRETARY—Andrew Braid (deceased).

AUDITORS—Fred Neal and Judge George Smith.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Officers as above and Judge George Smith, George F. Macdonald, G. W. Gray and H. A. C. Maisonville.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand.....	\$126 44
Members' fees.....	35 00
Grants.....	100 00
Bank interest.....	12
	\$261 56

EXPENDITURES

Printing and advertising.....	10 13
Postage.....	1 53
Photographs.....	14 10
Miscellaneous.....	10 00
	\$ 35 76
Balance on hand.....	225 80
	\$261 56

Number of members last year, 78; number of members this year, 78; number of public meetings held this year, 1; number of committee meetings held, 2; number of books and pamphlets in library, 100; number added during the year, 4.

Lectures during the year: Public meeting, in conjunction with the Border Chamber of Commerce, held January 29, 1925, when Sir Campbell Stuart, Managing Director of *The Times* (London), gave an address on "The Work of Establishing Canadian Historical Societies in Great Britain and France," and of a dinner held in the old Palace of Versailles, attended by descendants of Jacques Cartier, Wolfe, Montcalm, etc.

ANDREW BRAID,
Secretary.

HURON INSTITUTE (COLLINGWOOD)

The Huron Institute continues to hold a prominent place in the public mind of Collingwood. This is attested by many interesting donations during the year. Articles, documents, records and photographs have been added, many of the pictures being of earlier days and others of events of the past year. Indeed, so generous have been the donations of photographs that it is not exaggerating to say that no important event in Collingwood goes unrecorded pictorially in the museum. In this way the Institute is doing for the public what the individual could not possibly undertake.

During the year the Institute was made the recipient of the most notable financial donation since its inception in 1905. This was given "In memory of our Mother," by Mrs. Jessie Stewart Todhunter, of Toronto, daughter of one of the earliest families in the town of Collingwood. In addition to this very fine gift, Mrs. Todhunter added a number of interesting articles and pictures. Coming, as her donations did, without solicitation and without the donor having seen the Institute, (her information regarding it having been gained wholly from the local press), the greater is the appreciation of her interest and her great love that led her to honour in so practical a way her beloved mother.

As in previous years, the assembly hall of the Institute has been at the disposal of the three chapters of the I.O.D.E., the Ladies' Auxiliary of the G.W.V.A., and the Home and School Clubs, which have used it in carrying on their valuable and useful work.

Throughout the year the Institute has been visited by a large number of people and has been found of very great interest, especially by the former residents who have been in town on vacation trips.

The one fly in the ointment this year is the discontinuing of the annual grant from the Department of Education of the Province of Ontario. In the past this has been a very great assistance and its withdrawal may have a serious effect on future activities. No one questions the value of the historical work done by this Institute and many similar organizations throughout the Province. In the main this is accomplished by voluntary labour, yet there is need of financial support for ordinary maintenance and unless encouragement is given from the quarter from which it should be reasonably expected, it is possible that there may come a time when interest may decline, energy become lax and the collection of historical matter left aside. The discontinuance of the grant may be but temporary and may be the prelude to the development of a plan whereby they may be placed on a meritorious basis. Approval, it is believed, awaits such a proposal. In the meantime the Institute tenders its thanks to the Minister and the Department of Education for assistance given in the past. Thanks are also returned to the press for generous support and to all who have assisted and interested themselves in the Institute. It is the combined effort that has succeeded.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

FRANCES A. REDMOND,
Vice-President.
Collingwood, May, 1925.

DAVID WILLIAMS,
Secretary.

THE LUNDY'S LANE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

(NIAGARA FALLS CITY, ONTARIO)

(ORGANIZED A.D. 1887)

Report for the year 1924-25.

Officers for the year beginning June, 1925:

HONORARY PRESIDENT—Brig.-General E. A. Cruikshank, F.R.S.C., etc.

HONORARY SECRETARY—J. H. Jackson, C.E.

PRESIDENT—Robert W. Geary.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Rev. Dr. Wallis.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—Miss S. Crysler.

SECRETARY-TREASURER—James C. Morden.

AUDITOR—Miss J. C. Barnett.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—J. H. Jackson, C.E.; Miss Crysler, Miss Barnett and Mrs. Anger.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand	\$956 27
Ontario Government grant	200 00
Publications	105 33
Bank interest and membership	30 63
	\$1,292 23

EXPENDITURES

Printing, postage, etc.	\$12 32
Purchases, Historical Museum and subscriptions	11 00
Grant, Public Library	25 00
General expenses	17 00
Special expenses—balance <i>re</i> Chippawa Monument dedication	18 35
Balance in Imperial Bank	\$1,208 56
	\$1,292 23

The unveiling of the Memorial Cairn and Tablet, of the Centenary of the Welland Canal, at Allanburg, on November 29 last, was attended by the President, 1st Vice-President and Secretary of the Society. The function marked an important era of progress in Canada and was largely attended and taken part in by many prominent men and women of this Province.

The Society was represented at the annual meeting of the Ontario Historical Society, at Kitchener, by Rev. Dr. Wm. Wallis, who also presented the Society's Annual Report for the year 1923-24.

A report was sent, also, to the Royal Society's Annual meeting at Ottawa, last May (as an associated Society), giving a full statement of this Society's activities during the past year.

The demand for the Historical Publications of our Society has been quite large during the year, nearly two hundred copies, alone, of "Cruikshank's Documentary History" being sold, and a large number of "Annals of Niagara" and all the other publications have been sold and donated, the demand being principally from New York City, New Jersey, Montreal and Toronto.

Two old officers' coats of the Canadian Rebellion period (scarlet and dark blue); a collection of military relics and old coins, found on a farm at Queenston, and a number of military buttons and other relics from Niagara, are interesting additions to the Society's collection. The large number of letters received by the President from all over the United States, Canada and England, containing historical enquiries of all kinds, constitute the greatest work we have to contend with—in lengthy research work—writing articles on each subject, and lengthy correspondence generally. While gratifying in many respects, yet this gratuitous work has become too heavy in late years—especially when it can only be done by one familiar with all historical subjects, and it still remains as a difficult problem to solve.

ROBERT W. GEARY,
President.

Niagara Falls City, June 29, 1925.

NIAGARA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

(ORGANIZED 1895)

Officers for year beginning October 13, 1924:

HONORARY PRESIDENT—General E. A. Cruikshank.

PRESIDENT—Miss Janet Carnochan.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Rev. Canon Garrett.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—Rev. A. F. MacGregor, B.A.

3RD VICE-PRESIDENT—Rev. C. H. E. Smith.

4TH VICE-PRESIDENT—J. M. Mussen.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY—Miss Janet Carnochan.

RECORDING SECRETARY—E. H. Brennan.

TREASURER—Mrs. S. D. Manning.

ASSISTANT TREASURER—Mrs. C. E. Brown.

AUDITOR—Mr. J. Burns.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—The officers and Alfred Ball, Mrs. J. Morrison, Mrs. Bottomley, G. H. Leslie, F. R. Parnell.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT, 1924-25

We have this year to report progress in several directions and discouragements in others. We have been able to print number 36, containing Governor Simcoe, Fifty Years of Peach Culture in the Niagara Peninsula, Bridges Over the Niagara River, Mrs. John Graves Simcoe, Milford Lodge, a few pages from

the Diary of Francis Goring, 1790, with the names of pupils of his school at Queenston, and we have reprinted number 23, containing Fort Niagara, Colonel D. MacDougal, Steamer Chicora (formerly a Confederate Blockade Runner), and Letters from the Dominion Archives. Whether we shall be able to print any other pamphlets remains to be proved, as there has been no response to the appeals of different Historical Societies for the restoration of the grant. The grant given to us has always been used for printing and without this we could never have been able to print as we have done, pamphlets 1 to 36, and reports 1 to 29. There were six meetings and the papers read were: "The Read Family in Early Years," "The United Empire Loyalists," "The Women's Institute of Niagara." There have been many visitors to the Historical Building, individuals and groups, among others; the Board of Education of St. Catharines, including trustees and teachers, the Craise School of Niagara township, Brotherhood of Memorial Church, St. Catharines, Girl Guides, the pupils of No. 3 central school, St. Catharines, with their teacher, and a group of boys with their teacher as a reward for good work, and another group of ten, who came on bicycles from Toronto to visit points of interest on the way.

The annual picnic was held in August in Niagara, and gave an opportunity for the placing of a bronze tablet on the Court House in memory of Henry Paffard, with this inscription: "In grateful memory of Henry Paffard, for 26 years Mayor of Niagara, 35 years an official of the Public Library and 10 years Vice-President of the Historical Society, and to whose energy, perseverance and good taste we owe the beautiful trees in our streets and in the Park." Many tributes were paid to the work of Mr. Paffard; the dedicatory prayer was made by Rev. J. C. Garrett; a letter was read from Hon. Martin Burrell, Ottawa. A wreath was laid on the tablet by the Public Library.

Among the contributions to the Historical Museum were a bound volume of the Niagara Reporter, 1837-8; four different collections of prints, Canadian, British, United States, now all placed in a large scrap book; part of lock of old jail and courthouse built in 1817; copies of two wills, Secord and Lampman; model of a clock, all of wood; three pieces of early china; History of the Quakers, 1799 (London). Several of our members attended the unveiling of the cairn at Allanburg, 29th Oct., in memory of W. Hamilton Merritt, the originator of the Welland Canal, 1824, and several attended the meeting of the Ontario Historical Society at Kitchener and saw the first sod turned for a monument in memory of the first settlers. In answer to letters received, information has been given to descendants of residents of Niagara over a century ago, to Montreal, Sarnia, Jamaica and Hartford.

We mourn the death of several valuable members. General Ryerson, who had taken much interest in our work; Peter McArthur, who was an Honorary member, Forbes Geddes of Essex, Joseph Senior of Texas, Mrs. Temple, Toronto, Mrs. Swayzie, Niagara, Col. Leonard, Brantford, and Justus Griffin, Hamilton.

We have again to record our thanks to all who have assisted us in any way by kind words, by contributions, by papers read, by their continued interest in our work.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand October, 1924.....	\$650 00
Members' fees.....	214 00
Grant (Government).....	350 00
Sale of Pamphlets, contributions.....	72 00
Donations, miscellaneous.....	51 00
	\$1,337 00

EXPENDITURES

Printing Pamphlet 36, reprinting 23.....	399 00
Postage.....	28 00
Bronze Tablet (H. Paffard).....	190 00
Miscellaneous (picnic, cuts).....	34 00
Work, stationery.....	44 00
Balance in hand.....	642 00
	\$1,337 00

Number of members last year 312; number of members this year, 305; number of public meetings held this year, 1 public, 4 regular; number of committee meetings held, 3; number of books and pamphlets in library, 1,057; number added during the year, 15; publications and number issued—pamphlets 36 and 23 (reprinted), (700 of No. 36, 200 of 23).

Papers read: "The Reed Family," (U.E.L.), by F. R. Parnell.

"The United Empire Loyalists," by Miss Carnochan.

"The Women's Institute in Niagara," 1911 to 1919, by Miss Carnochan.

JANET CARNOCHAN,
President.

NORFOLK HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

ORGANIZED, FEBRUARY 9, 1900

Report for the year ending February 9, 1925.

PRESIDENT—H. Frank Cook, B.A.

SECRETARY-TREASURER—H. S. Macpherson.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—The officers with Frank Reid and His Honour Judge J. T. Boles.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand.....	\$85 20
Interest.....	8 39
	\$93 59

EXPENDITURES

Printing.....	\$16 07
Postage.....	2 00
Miscellaneous.....	18 00
	\$36 07

Number of committee meetings held, 3.

H. S. MACPHERSON,
Secretary.

PERTH AND LANARK COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

ORGANIZED MARCH 31, 1925.

Officers for year beginning March, 1925:

HONORARY PRESIDENT—Captain A. F. Matheson.

HONORARY VICE-PRESIDENTS—Mrs. J. Stewart, Mr. Walker.

PRESIDENT—Major J. A. Hope.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Mrs. James Allan.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—Mrs. James Armour.

SECRETARY—C. C. Inderwick.

TREASURER—R. J. Smith.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Mrs. Beaman, Mrs. Buffam, Mrs. J. E. deHertel, Mrs. J. E. Maloney, Mrs. James McLaren, and Messrs. Archibald Campbell, J. T. Conway, C. M. Forbes, W. B. Hart, W. L. McLaren.

Number of members this year, 35; number of public meetings held this year, 4; number of committee meetings held this year, 6.

Illustrated lecture by the Honorable Senator Haydon, K.C., on "Some Pioneer Settlements in the District of Bathurst," at the Town Hall, May 1st, 1925.

C. C. Inderwick,
Secretary.

THUNDER BAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

(ORGANIZED 1908)

Report for the year ending October 1, 1924.

Officers for year beginning October 1, 1924:

HONORARY PRESIDENTS—Sir Geo. E. Foster and Mr. Peter McKellar.

PRESIDENT—Mr. Jno. King.

VICE-PRESIDENT—Mrs. Peter McKellar.

SECRETARY-TREASURER—Miss M. J. L. Black.

AUDITORS—Mesdames G. A. Graham and C. W. Jarvis.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Miss Stafford, Mrs. Jno. King, Capt. McCannell, Mr. C. W. Jarvis and Mr. Alex. McNaughton.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand.....	\$58 75
Members' fees.....	29 50
Grants.....	100 00
	\$188 25

EXPENDITURES

Printing.....	\$97 20
General Expenses.....	12 75
	\$109 95

Number of members last year, 13; number of members this year, 20; number of public meetings held this year, 4;

Lectures during the year:

- November 15. Mr. J. A. McComber, "Early History of Thunder Bay."
 February 15. Mr. J. M. Hunt, "Settlement of Slate River."
 April 15. Excerpts from early papers.
 July 11. Mr. L. J. Burpee.

M. J. L. BLACK,
Secretary.

WATERLOO HISTORICAL SOCIETY

(ORGANIZED NOVEMBER 13, 1912)

Report for the year ending December 31, 1924.

Officers for year beginning January 1, 1925.

PRESIDENT—Rev. J. E. Lynn.

VICE-PRESIDENT—C. A. Boehm.

LOCAL VICE-PRESIDENTS—Galt, J. E. Kerr; New Hamburg, A. R. G. Smith; Hespeler, D. N. Panabaker; Elmira, O. H. Vogt; St. Jacobs, E. Richmond.

SECRETARY-TREASURER—P. Fisher, Kitchener, Ont.

COUNCIL—W. J. Motz, J. N. MacKendrick, W. H. Breithaupt, Miss M. B. Dunham.

The twelfth annual meeting of the Waterloo Historical Society was held in the Museum in the Public Library, Kitchener, at 8 p.m., on November 7, 1924. In addition to members there were in attendance others who take an interest in the Society's work.

In his address, the retiring President, Mr. W. H. Breithaupt, briefly reviewed the year's work and noted the interest taken in the meeting of the Ontario Historical Society held in Kitchener on June 24th and 25th last. During this meeting an event of local interest was the gathering held on what was the original farm of Samuel Betzner, Sr., the first farm in Waterloo County. Glowing tribute was paid to the energy and enterprise of the pioneer settlers of Waterloo County by the visiting delegates and other speakers. The first sod was turned in the excavation for the foundation of the monument to be erected to the Waterloo County Pioneers.

Among papers presented at our Annual Meeting were:

"Early Days in Ayr," by Miss Watson, of Ayr.

"Trees of Waterloo County," by William Herriot, of Galt, and a sketch of the Life of Jacob Y. Shantz, by Dr. H. M. Bowman, Kitchener.

The decision to withhold the Grant of the Department of Education in 1925 will make it very difficult to carry on the Society's work. We will not have sufficient funds to print the papers and addresses dealing with County history as previously. We trust to receive greater assistance from the public generally as well as from the various municipalities, whose support thus far is deeply appreciated.

The Kitchener Public Library Board, as heretofore, provides commodious quarters free, for housing our collection and holding our meetings. This assistance has been an important factor in the success of the Society.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand, January 1, 1924.....	\$236 12
Members' fees.....	55 00
Life membership.....	10 00
Grants.....	300 00
Sundry receipts.....	16 77
	\$617 89

EXPENDITURES

Printing 1923 Report.....	168 79
Postage and stationery.....	36 64
General expenses.....	123 95
Miscellaneous.....	46 25
Balance on hand.....	242 26
	\$617 89

Number of members last year, 82; number of members this year, 87; number of public meetings held this year, 1; number of committee meetings held, 4; number of books and pamphlets in library, 250; publications issued: 12th Annual Report (500 copies).

P. FISHER,
Secretary.

WELLAND COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

(ORGANIZED OCTOBER 29, 1924)

Report for the year ending June 1, 1925.

HONORARY PRESIDENT—Brig.-Gen. E. A. Cruikshank, LL.D., F.R.S.C.,
Ottawa.

HONORARY VICE-PRESIDENTS—Miss Janet Carnochan, Niagara; Ernest
Green, Ottawa.

PRESIDENT—Judge L. B. C. Livingstone.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—H. M. McCuaig.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—John H. Thompson.

SECRETARY—Louis Blake Duff.

TREASURER—John T. James.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Mrs. Robt. Moore, Miss Theo Fortner, A. W. Jackson and other officers.

RECEIPTS

Members' Fees..... \$55 00

Number of members this year, 55; number of committee meetings held, 6; publication issued, "Centenary of the Welland Canal", by Brig.-Gen. Cruikshank (issue, 250 copies).

1924.

November 28. "The Early History of St. John," by J. F. Gross.
"Early Explorers of Southern Ontario," by Dr. J. H. Coyne, M.A.

1925.

Jan. 23. "Recollections of the Fenian Raid," by J. F. Dunn.
"The Fenian Raid in Willoughby," by George Wells.
February 20. "Canal Engineering of Yesterday and To-day," by E. P. Johnston.
"Relative Sizes and Capacities of Our Canals Reflected in Trend of Traffic," by DeW. Carter.
March 20. "Laura Secord," by J. H. Ingersoll, K.C.
"The History of the Niagara Gorge," by D. D. Gross.
April 27. "The Beginnings of Natural Gas Development in Welland County," by George H. Smith.
"Reminiscences of Our First Gas Wells," by George Wells.
"History of Natural Gas in Welland County," by Charles E. Steele.

LOUIS BLAKE DUFF,
Secretary,

WENTWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY (HAMILTON)

(ORGANIZED DECEMBER 17, 1888.)

Report for the year ending June 5, 1925.

Officers for year beginning June 6, 1925:

PRESIDENT—John H. Land.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Chester S. Walters.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—Charles E. Bull.

SECRETARY-TREASURER—James R. Lawry.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—T. B. McQueston, Kirwan Martin, Henry E. McLaren, R. P. Newbigging, Col. W. R. Turnbull, Fred Hamilton, W. F. Moore, Rev. Canon Spencer, D.D., T. B. Knight, R. B. Harris, Mrs. I. Maude, S. Martin and Mrs. David Bell.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand.....	\$95 69
Members' fees.....	41 00
Sale of books.....	3 00
Miscellaneous.....	4 00
	\$143 69

EXPENDITURES

Printing.....	\$80 92
Postage.....	2 00
General expenses.....	7 25
Miscellaneous.....	17 88
	\$101 55

Number of members last year, 72; number of members this year, gentlemen, 65, ladies, 16; number of public meetings held this year, 2; number of committee meetings held, 6; number of books and pamphlets in library, 800; number added during the year, 40.

Lectures during the year:

1924.

October. "Trip around the World," by Canon Spencer, D.D.

1925.

June 5. "La Salle's Record," by Mr. Kirwan Martin.

J. R. LAWRY,
Secretary.

WOMEN'S CANADIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF OTTAWA

(ORGANIZED 1898)

Report for the year ending March 29, 1925.

Officers for year beginning March 30, 1925:

HONORARY PRESIDENTS—Lady Borden, Mrs. Arthur Meighen.

PRESIDENT—Mrs. Braddish Billings.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Mme. S. Lelievre.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—Mrs. Walter Armstrong.

3RD VICE-PRESIDENT—Miss Eva Read.

4TH VICE-PRESIDENT—Mrs. J. B. Simpson.

5TH VICE-PRESIDENT—Mme. Fauvel

6TH VICE-PRESIDENT—Mrs. R. Brown.
 7TH VICE-PRESIDENT—Mme. J. E. Roy.
 CORRESPONDING SECRETARY—Mrs. M. L. Rush.
 RECORDING SECRETARY—Mrs. W. C. Gullock.
 TREASURER—Mrs. A. F. Bishop.
 AUDITOR—Mr. W. M. Dunlop, C.A.

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand.....	\$103 55
Members' fees.....	47 50
Grants for 1924-5.....	400 00
	\$551 05

EXPENDITURES

Rentals.....	\$3 00
Printing.....	121 71
Postage.....	6 70
General expenses.....	146 24
Miscellaneous.....	100 68
	\$378 33

Number of members last year, 125; number of members this year, 138; number of public meetings held this year, 3, and 3 general; number of committee meetings held, 7; number of books and pamphlets in library, 75; number added during the year, 40; publications issued, Annual Report, 1924-5.

Lectures during the year:

- November 14. Mrs. M. C. Smillie, Address on "Health and Industries of Denmark."
 December 12. Mme. J. R. Belisle, "First Missionaries to Hull," Quebec.
 January 9. Dr. H. M. Ami, F.R.S.C., "An Historical Sketch of Man (on this Planet)."
 February 12. Mr. W. J. Sykes, B.A., "Coming of Responsible Government under Lords Durham, Sydenham and Elgin."

C. A. GULLOCK,
Secretary,

The Secretary reports that three public, including the Annual; three general and seven executive meetings were held during the year. At the annual meeting held on March 29th, 1924, in addition to the annual reports of the officers, the programme included a paper by Mrs. D. H. McLean, which gave a sketch of the history of St. Anne's, the little church at Tadousac which, built in 1641, was the first place of worship in Quebec—a little bark hut, with a bell hung in a nearby tree to summon worshippers was replaced later by a wooden structure, a replica of which was presented to the Bytown Museum by Mme. Languedoc.

The twenty-fifth anniversary of the Society was celebrated on Friday, October 10th, in the Bytown Museum, when Mrs. D. H. McLean read a paper on "Social Life in Old Quebec," covering a period from the time of Jacques Cartier, to the time of Lady Dorchester.

Miss Eva Read gave an historical sketch of the life of this Society during its 25 years of existence; organized in 1898 by Lady Edgar, with Mrs. Geo. Foster, afterward the late Lady Foster, as first President. Mrs. J. B. Simpson told of first things which occurred in the 25-year period of the Society's history: first resolution, first appeal, first scrap-book, first annual report, first volume of "Transactions," and acquisition of Bytown Museum.

On November 14th, Mrs. N. C. Smillie gave an address on "Health and Industries of Denmark." Mrs. Smillie said that everything possible is being done for the people of Denmark to promote health, prevent sickness, and to care for the sick, and that men willingly and generously share with women, equally under the law, to attain these feats of philanthropy.

Mme. J. R. Belisle, on December 12th, contributed a paper entitled "The first Missionaries to Hull." In 1615 Champlain brought the Recollet fathers to convert the Indians. In 1815 Rev. Mr. Meech was the first Anglican clergyman to take up duty in the district, and later a church was built on Main St., the mother church of the Ottawa Valley.

A public meeting, held in the Victoria Museum on January 9th, was addressed by Dr. H. M. Ami, F.R.S.C., Honorary member of the Society, his subject being "An Historical Sketch of Man on the Planet." Dr. Ami traced the gradual evolution of man from his primitive state to man as he now exists—from the earlier gravel period, through the stone age, the neolithic or polished stone age, the bronze age, to the iron age which leads directly to the historic.

Mr. W. J. Sykes, B.A., Public Librarian of Ottawa, gave a lecture at the public meeting held in the Victoria Museum on February 18th, on "The Coming of Responsible Government, under Lords Durham, Sydenham and Elgin."

The Bytown Museum attracted a large number of visitors during the season, and under the able administration of the Curator, Mrs. J. B. Simpson, was kept open to the public on Wednesdays, and Saturdays, from 3 to 6 o'clock, April to November. Mrs. Simpson was assisted in the work by members of the society and was able to be of assistance to students in research work. Contributions have been received and acknowledged. The Annual Report for 1923-24 was published and distributed. Volume IX of Transactions is now ready, available to members for 25 cents a copy, and to others 50 cents.

In August, members of the Society acted as chaperons for the Historical Pageant put on by the Canada Central Exhibition Association, at Ottawa.

This Society was represented at the Annual meeting of the Ontario Historical Society held at Kitchener, Ont., by Mrs. David M. McGregor, who sent a report of proceedings, which was read by Mrs. J. B. Simpson at the general meeting on November 14th. Mrs. McGregor read the Annual report of the Society which was received with applause. A crisis has developed in that the Provincial Government has decided to withdraw all grants to Historical Societies after October, 1924.

Mme. J. E. Roy was elected delegate to attend the meeting of the Royal Society of Canada, which met at Quebec in May.

The Society continues in affiliation with the Royal Society, Ontario Historical Society, Canadian Historical Association, The Conference of American Historical Societies, The Local Council of Women, and is a corporate member of the League of Nations Society of Canada.

Members of the Society assisted the Ottawa Branch of the Great War Veterans Association by selling poppies previous to Armistice Day, and the President, Mrs. E. J. Ashton, accompanied by Mrs. J. L. McDougall, Honorary Vice-President, attended service on Parliament Hill on Commemoration Day, and laid a wreath of poppies on the cenotaph.

The Standing Committees included: General Scrap-book, with Miss Eva Read as Convener, who gave, at the Annual Meeting, a résumé of all articles collected, and City Scrap-book Convener, Mrs. Robert Brown, who also made a detailed report of cuttings secured during the year; other Committees were: Programme, Convener, Mrs. Braddish Billings; Printing, Mrs. E. J. Ashton; Ways and Means, Mrs. J. B. Simpson.

Mr. Ernest Green was elected an Honorary member of the Society. The thanks of the Society are tendered to Mr. W. M. Dunlop, C.A., for auditing the Treasurer's books.

Special thanks are due to the Press for generously announcing the names of the ladies assisting each week at the Bytown Museum, and for interesting accounts of addresses delivered before the Society.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. GULLOCK,
Hon. Rec. Secretary.

WOMEN'S CANADIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF TORONTO

Report for the year ending April 16, 1925.

PRESIDENT—Miss Mickle, 48 Heath Street East.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT—Mrs. James Bain.

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT—Mrs. Edgar Jarvis.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY—Mrs. Balmer Neilly, 100 Woodlawn, E.

RECORDING SECRETARY—Carolyn Roberts, 20 Earl Street.

TREASURER—Mrs. W. A. Parks, 69 Albany Avenue.

CURATOR—Mrs. Seymour Corley.

CONVENERS MEMORIAL FUND COMMITTEE—Mrs. Horace Eaton, Mrs. Wm. Jarvis.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Lady Stupart, Mrs. J. V. Leadbetter, Mrs. V. Sinclair, Mrs. E. A. Johnson, Mrs. H. T. F. Duckworth, Mrs. J. G. Settle.

MEMORIAL ACCOUNT 1924-1925.

RECEIPTS

Balance in Bank April, 1924.....	\$376 93
Interest on bonds and loans.....	640 86
Donations.....	14 50

Life membership (Mrs. Harry Hooper).....	\$25 00
Loaned from General Account.....	1 00
Sale of "Transactions".....	6 00

\$1,064 29

EXPENDITURES

Dominion of Canada Bonds.....	\$617 10
Interest, brokerage and postage.....	6 41
Balance due John Stark & Co. for purchase of \$6,300 Dominion of Canada Bond.....	11 00
Rent of Safety box.....	3 00
Return of loan to General Account.....	1 00
Balance in bank April 15, 1925.....	425 78

\$1,064 29

Securities and Bonds in Bank April 15.....	9,800 00
Cash balance.....	425 78

\$10,225 78

JEAN PARKS,
Hon. Treasurer.

GENERAL ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand April, 1924.....	\$95 41
Members' fees.....	60 00
Grants.....	200 00
Sale of "Transactions".....	2 00
Monthly teas.....	52 15
Bank Interest.....	6 25
Loan to Memorial account.....	1 00

\$416 81

EXPENDITURES

Printing "Transactions".....	105 40
Printing and Postcards.....	89 59
Tea service at Club.....	31 30
Postage.....	3 40
Flowers.....	12 50
Rent for Club for 2 years.....	50 00
Miscellaneous fees to Canadian Historical Society.....	5 00
Expense for open meeting.....	9 50
Loan to Memorial account.....	1 00
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Number of members last year, 90; number of members this year, 110; number of public meetings held this year, 2; number of committee meetings held, 8.

Lectures:

1924.

- October 16. "History in the Making by our Soldiers," Mrs. VanKoughnet.
 November 20. "Settlement and Re-Settlement," Prof. C. N. Fay.
 December 18. "Canada's Contribution to World Knowledge," Dr. Jackes.

1925.

- January 15. "Notes of Early Toronto Life," Dr. F. LeM. Grasset.
 February 15. "Leaves from a Diary," Miss Bonnycastle.
 March 19. Old Toronto Houses, (a) "Colborne Lodge" Mrs. White,
 "Caltha"; (b) "Berkeley House" Mrs. Edgar Jarvis.
 April 16. "The Howards," Mrs. John Bruce.
 "Visitors' Book at the First Brock Monument," 1829-30, by
 Miss Kate Symons.
 "Through Canada with the British Scientists" (illustrated), Prof.
 W. A. Parks.

WOMEN'S WENTWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

(ORGANIZED 1899)

Report for the year ending June, 1925.

Officers for year beginning June, 1925:

HONORARY PRESIDENTS—The Lady Byng of Vimy, Lady Hendrie.

PRESIDENT—Mrs. Lynch-Staunton.

VICE-PRESIDENTS—Lady Gibson, Mrs. G. Wood Brown, Mrs. Phin, Mrs.
 Paul Myler, Miss Gibson, Mrs. Denne.

SECRETARY—Mrs. Bertie Smith.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY—Miss Mary Edwards.

TREASURER—Miss Olive Weller.

AUDITORS—Messrs. Richardson, Smith, Ferrie & Co.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: The Officers of the Society.

Delegates to Annual Meeting, Ontario Historical Society at Welland—Mrs.
 Lynch-Staunton, Mrs. Bertie Smith, Miss Mary Edwards.

Number of members this year, 245; number of public meetings held this
 year, 3; number of committee meetings held, 8;

Lectures during the year:

- November, Address by Mr. W. A. Child on "Mexico."
 January, Address by Lady MacLaren Brown on "Wembley."
 May, Address by Senator Lynch-Staunton on "Egypt and the
 Soudan."

BERTIE E. D. SMITH,
Secretary.

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